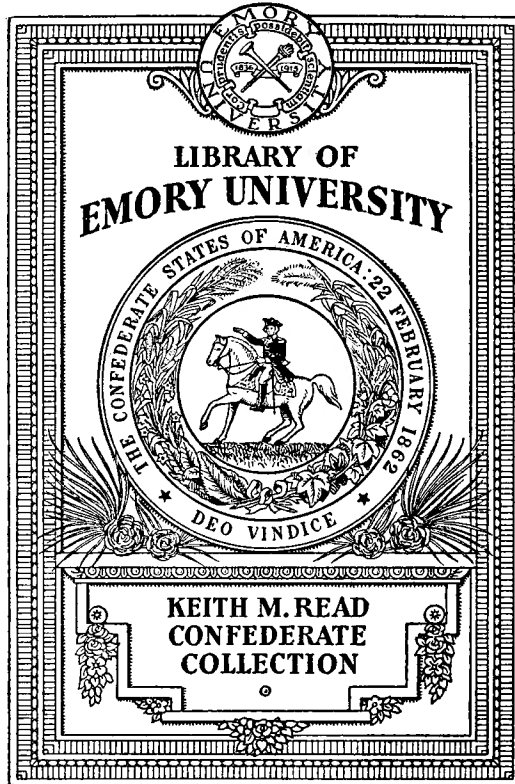


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LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA,

AS FURNISHD BY THE BISHOP, FEBRUARY 11, 1863.

The Rt. Rev. THOMAS F. DAVIS, D. D. *Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of Grace Church, Camden.*

The Rev. Thomas S. Arthur, *Rector of Christ Church Greenville.*

“ Zenophon Y. Anderson, (Deacon), *Missionary to the Negroes in St. Mark's, Clarendon.*

“ Robert W. Barnwell, (Deacon), *Professor and Chaplain in the the South-Carolina College, Columbia.*

“ Edmund E. Bellinger, *Rector of St. Jude's Church, Walterboro'.*

“ R. T. Brown, *Rector of St. David's, Gheraw.*

“ J. Barnwell Campbell.

“ Andrew H. Cornish, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.*

“ John H. Cornish, *Rector of St. Thaddæus' Church, Aiken.*

“ Thomas F. Davis, Jr., *Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Camden.*

“ J. Grimké Drayton, *Rector of St. Andrew's Parish.*

“ James H. Elliott, *Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*

“ John H. Elliott, *Rector of Christ Church, Wilton.*

“ Stephen Elliott, *Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish.*

“ John R. Fell, *residing at Mount Pleasant.*

“ Christopher P. Gadsden, *Rector of St. Luke's Ch. Charleston.*

“ Philip Gadsden, *Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Stono, and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.*

“ Alexander Glennie, *Rector of All Saint's Parish, Waccamaw.*

“ J. Mercier Green, *Rector of Christ Church, Charleston.*

“ Le Grand F. Guerry, (Deacon), *Minister of Zion Church, Richland.*

“ B. E. Habersham, *Rector of St. Mark's, Clarendon.*

“ Christian Hanckel, D.D., *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro', Charleston.*

“ J. Stuart Hanckel, *Professor in the Diocesan Seminary, Camden.*

“ William H. Hanckel, *Rector St. John's Church, Richland.*

“ Robert T. Howard, *Rector of Prince George's Parish, Winyaw.*

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The Rev. W. B. W. Howe, *Rector of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.*

" James T. Hutcheson, *Rector of St. John's Church and St. Stephen's Church, Fairfield.*

" Joseph Hunter.

" Nathaniel Hyatt, *Rector of St. James' Parish, Santee.*

" P. Gervais Jenkins, *Missionary to the Negroes in St. John's Parish, John's Island.*

" Benjamin Johnson, *Rector of Trinity Church, Abbeville.*

" William Johnson, *Rector of the Church on Edisto Island.*

" Roberts P. Johnson, *Rector of St. Stephen's & Upper St. John's.*

" John S. Kidney, *Rector of Trinity Church, Society Hill.*

" Clement F. Jones, D. D., *Rector of Calvary Church, Glenn Springs.*

" P. Trapier Keith, *Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*

" Lucien C. Lance, *Missionary in Newberry and Laurens.*

" Maurice H. Lance, *Residing near Georgetown.*

" Charles E. Leverett, *Missionary at St. Stephen's Chapel, Beaufort Island.*

" Edward C. Logan, *Assistant Minister of the Parish of St. Thomas and St. Dennis.*

" Thomas N. Lucas, *Residing in North-Carolina.*

" Alexander W. Marshall, D. D., *Minister of St. John's Chapel, Hampstead, Charleston.*

" John D. McCollough, *Rector of Church of Nativity, Unionville, and Church of the Advent, Spartanburg.*

" David McElheran, *residing at Mount Pleasant.*

" Stiles Mellichamp, *Rector of St. James' Church, James Island.*

" Augustus Moore, *Rector of Christ Church, Mars' Bluff.*

" James W. Miles, *residing in Charleston.*

" Josiah Obear, *residing in Winnsborough.*

" A. F. Olmsted, *Rector of St. John's, Berkley.*

" Henry L. Phillips, *Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.*

" W. W. Patrick, (Deacon), *Missionary to the Negroes in St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's.*

" C. C. Pinckney, jr. *Rector of Grace Church, Charleston.*

" A. T. Porter, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Cannonsboro'. Charleston.*

" William T. Potter,

" William O. Prentiss, *Rector of St. Peter's Church, Charleston.*

" J. Maxwell Pringle, *Rector of Christ Church, Columbia.*

" J. H. Quimby.

" John J. Roberts, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Cross, Stateburg, Claremont.*

The Rev. Barnwell B. Sams, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell, and Missionary to Blackville.*

- " Julius J. Sams, *Rector of St. Thomas and St. Dennis.*
- " Joseph B. Seabrook, *Missionary in St. Paul's Parish, Stono.*
- " Peter J. Shand, *Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.*
- " James Stoney, *Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville.*
- " P. F. Stevens, (Deacon), *Minister of Trinity Church, Black Oak.*
- " Paul Trapier, *Professor in the Diocesan Theological Seminary at Camden, and Missionary at Orangeburg C. H.*
- " Richard S. Trapier, *Rector of St. John's Church, John's Island.*
- " C. Bruce Walker, *residing in Columbia.*
- " Albert R. Walker, (Deacon), *Minister of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter, and of St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs.*
- " Edward T. Walker, *Rector of St. Helena's Church, St. Helena Island.*
- " Joseph R. Walker, D. D. *Rector of St. Helena's Ch. Beaufort.*
- " E. J. Webb, (Deacon), *Missionary in St. Bartholomew's Parish.*
- " J. V. Welch, (Deacon,) *Missionary in the Parish of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.*
- " Arthur Wigfall, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.*

ALSO,

The Rev. Richard Johnson, *of the Diocese of Georgia.*

CLERGY CANONICALLY CONNECTED WITH THE DIOCESE.

Bishop	1
Priests	65
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34	<i>Christ Church,</i>	Wilton,	1834
35	<i>Holy Trinity Church,</i>	Grahamville,	1834
36	<i>Trinity Church,</i>	Edgefield,	1835
37	<i>St. John's Church,</i>	Fairfield,	1839
38	<i>St. Philip's Church,</i>	Bradford Springs,	1841
39	<i>Trinity Church,</i>	Abbeville,	1842
40	<i>Church of Messiah,</i>	North Santee,	1842
41	<i>Church of St. Thaddæus,</i>	Aiken,	1842
42	<i>Emmanuel Church,</i>	Chester,	1843
43	<i>Zion Church,</i>	Richland,	1844
44	<i>Church of Epiphany,</i>	Laurens,	1846
45	<i>Grace Church,</i>	Charleston,	1846
46	<i>St. Luke's Church,</i>	Newberry,	1846
47	<i>Ascension Church,</i>	Gillisonville,	1847
48	<i>Church of the Advent,</i>	Spartanburg,	1847
49	<i>Ch. of the Holy Communion,</i>	Cans'boro', Charleston,	1848
50	<i>Church of the Holy Apostles,</i>	Barnwell,	1850
51	<i>Calvary Church,</i>	Glenn Springs,	1850
52	<i>Grace Church,</i>	Anderson C. H.,	1851
53	<i>Church of the Redeemer,</i>	Orangeburg C. H.,	1851
54	<i>Christ Church,</i>	Charleston,	1855
55	<i>Church of the Mediator,</i>	Columbia,	1855
56	<i>St. Jude's Church,</i>	Walterborough,	1856
57	<i>Christ Church,</i>	Mar's Bluff,	1856
58	<i>Trinity Church,</i>	Black Oak,	1856
59	<i>Church of the Good Shepherd,</i>	Yorkville,	1856
60	<i>St. Mark's Church,</i>	Chesterville,	1857
61	<i>Church of the Ascension,</i>		1857
62	<i>St. Luke's Church,</i>	Charleston,	1858
63	<i>Church of the Holy Comforter,</i>	Sumter,	1858
64	<i>St. John's Church,</i>	Richland,	1858
65	<i>Christ Church,</i>	Columbia,	1858
66	<i>Church of the Nativity,</i>	Unionville,	1859
67	<i>St. Peter's Church,</i>	Beaufort District,	1859

CONGREGATIONS

NOT ENTITLED TO A REPRESENTATION IN THE CONVENTION.

<i>St. Stephen's Chapel,</i>	Charleston,	1822,	} <i>Mission Congregations.</i>
<i>St. John's Chapel,</i>	Hampstead,	1839,	
<i>Calvary Church,</i>	Charleston,	1849,	

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES

TO THE CONVENTION OF 1863.

- 1 *St. Philip's, Charleston*, *Edward McCrady, *Henry D. Lesesne, J. J. P. Smith, *W Alston Pringle.
- 2 *St. James's, Santee*, *C. C. Pinckney, sen. William Mazyck, Alexander E. Gadsden, Frederick Rutledge.
- 3 *St. Andrew's Parish.*
- 4 *St. Bartholemew's Parish.*
- 5 *Christ Church Parish*, *J. E. Dawson, *L. A. Edmondston.
- 6 *St. James's, Goose Creek.*
- 7 *St. John's, Berkley*, *Keating S. Ball, *Dr. S. W. Barker, *John Harleston, *Dr. Benj. Huger.
- 8 *St. Thomas and St. Dennis*, Alfred Huger.
- 9 *St. Paul's, Stono.*
- 10 *St. Helena's, Beaufort.*
- 11 *Prince George's, Winyaw.*
- 12 *St. John's, John's Island.*
- 13 *Prince Frederick's, Peedee*, *R. F. W. Allston, Dr. J. R. Sparkman, S. T. Gaillard, Benjamin Alston.
- 14 *Prince William's.*
- 15 *St. Michael's, Charleston*, James L. Petigru, Wm. J. Grayson, *Dr. James P. Jervcy, *J. K. Sass.
- 16 *St. Mark's, Clarendon.*
- 17 *All Saint's, Waccamaw*, *Plowden C. J. Weston, Joseph Blyth Allston, W Hyrne Tucker, Mayham Ward.
- 18 *St. Luke's Parish.*
- 19 *St. Matthew's Parish.*
- 20 *St. David's, Cheraw*, *Dr. T. E. Powe, *W Godfrey, H. W. Harrington, Dr. C. Kollock.
- 21 *Church on Edisto Island.*
- 22 *Claremont Church*, W H. Burgess, J. N. Frierson, H. L. Pinckney, jun., Dr. M. S. Moore.
- 23 *St. Helena's Church, St. Helena Island.*

* Present.

- 24 *Pineville and Upper St. John's*, *W. M. Percher, Charles Sinkler.
- 25 *St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro'* *Dr. Wm. T. Wragg, *C. R. Brewster,
James Simons, J. R. Boylston.
- 26 *Trinity Church, Columbia*, *Dr. Wm. Reynolds, *A. R. Taylor
Thomas Davis, *E. H. Heinitch.
- 27 *Grace Church, Sullivan's Island.*
- 28 *St. Paul's Church, Pendleton*, J. F. Green, W. H. D. Gaillard, R.
S. Porcher, J. L. Shanklin.
- 29 *Christ Church, Greenville*, *W. B. Leary, *R. Croft, *Wm. Choice,
T. M. Cox.
- 30 *Grace Church, Camden*, J. B. Kershaw, *J. A. Young.
- 31 *St. James's, James Island.*
- 32 *St. Peter's Church, Charleston.*
- 33 *Trinity Church, Society Hill*, John Witherspoon, E. E. Evans.
- 34 *Christ Church, Wilton.*
- 35 *Holy Trinity, Grahamville*, B. W. Seabrook, *C. C. Dupont, T. H.
Gregorie.
- 36 *Trinity Church, Edgefield.*
- 37 *St. John's, and St. Stephen's, Fairfield*, E. G. Palmer, R. B. Boyl-
ston, *C. McClenagan, W. S. Rabb.
- 38 *St. Philip's, Bradford Springs.*
- 39 *Trinity Church, Abbeville.*
- 40 *Church of the Messiah, North Santee.*
- 41 *Church of St. Thaddaeus, Aiken*, *Alexander Maryck, O. J. Chafee,
H. W. Ravenel.
- 42 *Emanuel Church, Chester.*
- 43 *Zion Church, Richland*, E. B. Heyward, J. Trumble, *W. C. Howard
- 44 *Church of the Epiphany, Laurens.*
- 45 *Grace Church, Charleston*, Wm. Whaley, *F. P. Elford, *Dr. Rob-
ert Lebbey, P. F. Smith.
- 46 *St. Luke's, Newberry.*
- 47 *Ascension Church, Gillisonville.*
- 48 *Church of the Advent, Spartanburg*, Wm. Irwin, J. H. Carson, H.
Thomlinson, Charles Kerrison.
- 49 *Church of the Holy Communion, Charleston*, *H. L. Toomer, *T. D.
Wagner, *B. G. Wilkins, *John Hanckel.
- 50 *Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell.*
- 51 *Calvary Church, Glenn Springs.*
- 52 *Grace Church, Anderson.*
- 53 *Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg*, *Wm. Treadwell.

- 54 *Christ Church, Charleston.*
- 55 *St. Jude's Church, Walterboro',* *Thomas Lining, Chs. E. Miller,
R. B. Jenkins, C. B. Farmer.
- 56 *Christ Church, Mar's Bluff.*
- 57 *Trinity Church, Black Oak.*
- 58 *Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville.*
- 69 *St. Mark's, Chesterville,* *B. Lucas, Paul Romaié, Thos. DeGnaaf-
fenreid, W T. Robinson.
- 60 *Church of the Assension.*
- 61 *St. Luke's, Charleston,* *W C. Bee, E. R. Miles, Dr. T. P. Green,
*I. S. K. Bennett.
- 62 *Church of the Holy Comfortor, Sumter.*
- 63 *St. John's Church, Richland.*
- 64 *Christ Church, Columbia,* *T. B. Clarkson, B. R. Stuart, William
Wallace, S. L. Deveau.
- 65 *Church of the Nativity, Unionville,* T. N. Dawkins, J. L. Nowell,
David Johnson, John Pyatt.
- 66 *St. Peters, Beaufort District.*

* Present

MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION.

St. Philip's Church, Charleston, Feb. 11th 1863.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the Seventy Fourth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina, a number of the Clergy and Laity assembled in the above Church, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by Rev. M. Pringle of Christ Church, Columbia, and Rev. M. Olmsted of St. John's, Berkley. The Ante-Communion by Rev. Stephen Elliott, a Chaplain in the Confederate States Army.

The Sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Kidney, of Trinity Church, Society Hill, from Titus 2: 14. The Elements at the Communion were Consecrated by the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, who was assisted in their administration by Rev. Messrs. Stephen Elliott, Olmsted, and Howe. The congregation, after Communion, was dismissed with the Benediction by the Bishop.

After recess, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The names of the Clergy were called from the list furnished by the Bishop, and the following answered to their names, viz :

The Rev. E. E. Bellinger,	The Rev. J. D. McCollough,
" R. T. Brown,	" David McElheran,
" A. H. Cornish,	" Stiles Mellichamp,
" John H. Cornish,	" A. F. Olmsted,
" Thomas F. Davis, Jr.	" H. L. Phillips,
" John H. Elliott,	" C. C. Pinckney, Jr.,
" Stephen Elliott,	" A. T. Porter,
" C. P. Gadsden,	" Wm. O. Prentiss,
" Philip Gadsden,	" J. Maxwell Pringle,
" James M. Green,	" J. H. Quinby,
" B. E. Habersham,	" J. J. Roberts,
" W B. W. Howe,	" B. B. Sams,
" James T. Hutcheson,	" J. J. Sams,
" N. Hyatt,	" J. B. Seabrook,
" P. G. Jenkins,	" James Stoney,
" J. S. Kidney,	" P. F. Stevens,
" P. Trapier Keith,	" Paul Trapier,
" L. C. Lance,	" Albert R. Walker,
" C. E. Leverett,	" Edward T. Walker,
" E. C. Logan,	" J. R. Walker, D.D.
" A. W. Marshall, D. D.	" J. V. Welch,

The list of the Churches was called, and Delegates from the following Churches answered, viz :

St. Philip's, Charleston; Christ Church, (C. C. P.) St. John's Berkeley; Prince Frederick's, Pedee; St. Michael's, Charleston; Pineville and Upper St. John's; St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro'; Christ Church, Greenville; Grace Church, Camden; Holy Trinity, Grahamville; St. Johns Church, Fairfield; Grace Church, Charleston; Holy Communion, Charleston; St. Jude's Church, Walterboro'; St. Mark's Church, Chesterville; Christ Church, Columbia; Trinity, Columbia.

A Quorum was found in both Orders.

The President appointed as the Committee on the List of the Clergy the Rev. Paul Trapier, Rev. P. T. Keith, and Rev. J. H. Cornish.

As the Committee on Certificates of Lay Delegates, Messrs. Sass, R. F. W. Allston, and Wm. Alston Pringle.

Rev. Mr. Trapier presented the Report on the List of the Clergy.

1. That the following Clergy are entitled to *all* the privileges of members of this Convention, viz :

The Rev. Thomas S. Arthur,	The Rev. W. Johnson,
" E. E. Bellinger,	" R. P. Johnson,
" R. T. Brown,	" John S. Kidney,
" A. H. Cornish,	" C. F. Jones, D.D.
" J. H. Cornish,	" P. T. Keith,
" Thomas F. Davis, Jr.,	" E. C. Logan,
" J. G. Drayton,	" J. D. McCollough,
" James H. Elliott,	" Stiles Mellichamp,
" John H. Elliott,	" Augustus Moore,
" Stephen Elliott,	" A. F. Olmsted,
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" A. Glennie,	" Wm. O. Prentiss,
" J. Mercier Green,	" J. Maxwell Pringle,
" L. F. Guerry,	" John J. Roberts,
" B. E. Habersham,	" B. B. Sams,
" C. Hanckel, D.D.,	" J. J. Sams,
" W. H. Hanckel,	" P. J. Shand,
" Robert T. Howard,	" P. F. Stevens,
" W. B. W. Howe,	" James Stoney,
" James T. Hutcheson,	" R. S. Trapier,
" Nathaniel Hyattt,	" E. T. Walker,
" B. Johnson,	" Joseph R. Walker,
	" A. W. Wigfall,

2. The following are entitled to all privileges of members of this Convention, except the right to vote in matters involving the *temporal* concerns of the Churches, viz :

The Rev. Z. Y. Anderson,	The Rev. A. W. Marshall, D.D.
" R. W. Barnwell, Jr.,	" H. L. Phillips,
" P. Gervais Jenkins,	" Joseph B. Seabrook,
" J. S. Hanckel,	" Paul Trapier,
" Lucien C. Lance,	" E. J. Webb,
" C. E. Leverett,	" J. V. Welch,

3. The following are entitled to seats, but *not to votes*, viz :

The Rev. Maurice H. Lance,	The Rev. Josiah Obear,
“ John R. Fell,	“ W. W. Patrick,
“ D. McElheran,	“ Albert R. Walker.

The following are entitled to *neither seats nor votes*, viz :

4. The Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell,	The Rev. Wm. T. Potter,
“ Joseph Hunter,	“ J. H. Quinby.
“ T. N. Lucas,	“ J. Bruce Walker,
“ J. W. Miles,	

Mr. J. K. Sass, from the Committee on Certificates of the Lay Delegates, reported the following gentlemen as entitled to seats in the seventy-fourth annual Convention of this Diocese :

On the List being called those with *astericks* (*) were in attendance :

St. Philip's Charleston, *Ed. McCrady, *H. D. Lesesne, J. J. Pringle Smith, *Wm. A. Pringle.

St. James' Santee, *C. C. Pinckney, sen. Wm Mazyck, Alex. E. Gadsden, Fred. Rutledge.

St. Andrew's Parish.

St. Bartholomew's Parish.

Christ Church Parish, *J. E. Dawson, *L. A. Edmondston.

St. James' Goose Creek.

St. John's Berkley, *K. S. Ball, *S. W. Barker, *John Harleston, *Dr. B. Huger.

St. Thomas and St. Dennis, Alfred Huger.

St. Paul's, Stono.

St. Helena's, Beaufort.

Prince George, Winyah.

St. John's, John's Island.

Prince Frederick's, Peedee, *R. F. W. Allston, J. R. Sparkman, S. T. Gaillard, Benj. Allston.

Prince William's,

St. Michael's, Charleston, James L. Petigru, William J. Grayson, *Dr. J. P. Jervey, *J. K. Sass.

St. Mark's, Clarendon.

*All Saint's, Waccamaw, *Plowden C. J. Weston, Joseph Blyth Alston, W. Hyrne Tucker, Mayham Ward.*

St. Luke's Parish.

St. Matthew's Parish.

*St. David's, Cheraw, *Dr. T. E. Powe, *Willam Godfrey, H. W Harrington, Dr. C. Kollock.*

Church on Edisto Island.

Claremont Church, W. H. Burgess, J. N. Frierson, H. L. Pinckney, jun., Dr. M. S. Moore.

St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island.

*Pineville, and Upper St. John's, *Wm. M. Porcher, Charles Sinkler. T. G. Gaillard.*

*St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro, *Dr. Wm. Wragg, *C R Brewster, James Simons, J. R. Boylston.*

*Trinity Church, Columbia, *Dr. Wm. Reynolds, *A. R. Taylor, Thomas Davis, E. H. *Heinitch.*

Grace Church, Sullivan's Island.

St. Paul's Church, Pendleton, J. F. Green, W H. D. Gaillard, R. S. Porcher, J. L. Shanklin.

*Christ Church, Greenville, *W. B. Leary, *R. Croft, *Wm. Choice, T. M. Cox.*

*Grace Church, Camden, J. B. Kershaw, *J. A. Young.*

St. James's Church, James Island.

St. Peter's, Church, Charleston.

Trinity Church, Society Hill, John Witherspoon, E. E. Evans.

Christ Church, Wilton.

*Holy Trinity, Grahamville, B W Seabrook, *C. C. Dupont, T. H. Gregorie.*

Trinity Church, Edgefield.

*St. John's and St. Stephen's, Fairfield, E. G. Palmer, R. B. Boylston, *C. McClenagan, W S. Rabb.*

St. Philip's, Bradford Springs.

Trinity Church, Abbeville.

Church of the Messiah, North Santee.

Church of St. Thaddæus, Aiken, *Alexander Mazyck, O. J. Chafee,
H. W. Ravenel.

Emanuel Church, Chester.

Zion Church, Richland, E. B. Heyward, J. Trumble, *W.C.Howard,

Church of the Epiphany, Laurens.

Grace Church, Charleston, Wm. Whaley, *F. P. Elford, *Dr. Robert Lebbby, P. F. Smith.

St. Luke's, Newberry.

Ascension Church, Gillisonville.

Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, Wm. Irwin. J. H. Carson, R. Thomlinson; Charles Kerrison.

Church of the Holy Communion,^L Charleston, *H. L. Toomer, *T. D. Wagner, *B. G. Wilkins, *John Hauckel.

Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell.

Calvary Church, Glenn Springs.

Grace Church, Anderson.

Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg, *Wm. Treadwell.

Christ Church. Charleston.

St. Jude's Church, Walterboro', *Thomas Lining, Chs. E. Miller, R. B. Jenkins, C. B. Farmer.

Christ Church, Mar's Bluff.

Trinity Church, Black Oak.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville.

St. Mark's, Chesterville, *B. Lucas, Paul Romaié, Thos. DeGraffenreid, W T. Robinson.

Church of the Assension.

St. Luke's, Charleston, *W C. Bee, E. R. Miles, Dr. T. P. Green,
*I. S. K. Bennett.

Church of the Holy Comfortor, Sumter.

St. John's Church, Richland.

Christ Church, Columbia, *T. B. Clarkson, B. R. Stuart, William Wallace, S. L. Deveau.

Church of the Naticity, Unionville, T. N. Dawkins, J. L. Nowell,
David Johnson, John Pyatt.

St. Peter's, Beaufort District.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. McCollough, the reading of the Rules of Order was dispensed with.

The election of Secretary being next in order :

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. Mr. Howe was elected *viva voce*.

The Rev. L. G. Lance, was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The ballot being dispensed with, Mr. F. P. Elford was re-elected Treasurer, by a *viva voce* vote.

The President appointed as the Preacher before the next Annual Convention, the Rev. J. M. Pringle, and his alternate, the Rev. A. F. Olmsted.

The President appointed as the Committee on Unfinished Business, Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Mr. John Hanckel, and Dr. Young ; and as the Committee on Finance, Messrs. Sass, Choice and Brewster.

The Report of the Standing Committee being next in order—

The Rev. C. P. Gadsden, Secretary of the Committee, in the absence of the President, stated verbally, that the Committee had been unable to organize.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The Rev. Mr. Trapier moved to correct the Journal of 1861, as follows : Whereas in the Journal of 1861 no mention is made of the fact that the Resolution introduced by Mr. H. D. Lesesne, amending Article III of the Constitution, by inserting after the words Diocese, in the second line, the words "*a Professor in the Theological Seminary*," was adopted, as it certainly was, therefore

Resolved, That said Journal be amended in that particular

Agreed to.

The Rev. Mr. Trapier moved the following resolution :

Resolved, That a vote be now taken, on the amendment to Article III, Section 3, line 2nd of the Constitution, as adopted in the Convention of 1861—to insert after the word "Diocese" the words, a "*Professor in a Theological Seminary*."

A vote was taken accordingly, and the amendment was passed unanimously.

The Rev. Mr. Trapier then moved, that in the Report on the List of the Clergy the name of the Rev. J. S. Hanckel, be transferred from the 3rd to the 2nd Class, viz : that of those *entitled to seats and votes*. The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Sass moved that the Convention sit from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.—Agreed to.

Dr. Lebby moved that the Convention adjourn. Carried.

The Bishop closed the Session with Prayer.

W B. W HOWE, *Secretary*.

S E C O N D D A Y .

St. Philip's Church, Charleston, Feb. 12th, 1863.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. J. J. Roberts, Rector of the Church of the Holy Cross, Stateburg, and after recess the Convention was called to order by the President.

The Journal of the previous day was read and approved.

The names of members absent yesterday were called.

The next business being that of appointing the Standing Committee of the Church:—The Rev. Messrs. Bellinger and McCollough were appointed Tellers to receive the vote of the Clergy; and Dr. Wm. Reynolds and Dr. Young, Tellers to collect the vote of the Laity.

The Committee on Finance reported, through Mr. Sass, and presented the Treasurer's Report, which appears below :

The Pro. Epis. Church in account with W. E. Martin.

		DR.	
1861.	June 1.	By real balance, in Treasurer's hands,	\$360 30
	" 18.	" cash from Christ Church Parish,	10 00
	" " "	" Rev. C. Gadsden,	5 00
		CR.	
	August 2.	To paid expenses on Convention Journals, \$ 2 00	
	Sept. 3.	" " A. E. Miller, printing do. 126 00	
1862.	Dec. 23.	" " balance to J. K. Sass,	\$247 30
			\$375 30
			\$375 30

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Pro. Episcopal Convention in account with F. P. Elford, Treasurer.

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Dr.		1862.	1863.		
Feb. 14,	To paid C. E. B. Flagg, Treasurer for 1861, balance due him,.....	July 13,	By quota Pineville, and Upper St. John's, for	1862	10 00
" "	" Robert Houston. (Sexton) for 3 days services,.....	" "	" St. Philip's Church, Church, Bradford Springs,	" "	5 00
" 15.	" F. Berkham, (Organist) for 3 days services,.....	" "	" Nativity Church, Unionville,	" "	5 00
" 17,	" Walker & Evans, for Books for Treasurer,.....	" "	" Church of the Advent, Spartanburg,	" "	5 00
" 26,	" Rev. L. C. Lance, for Books and Paper, purchased for the use of the Convention,.....	" "	" Holy Trinity Church, Grahamville,	" "	10 00
April 1,	" A. E. Miller, for printing the Journal, and the Address of the Bishop, &c.	" "	" St. Michael's Church, Charleston,	" "	20 00
Dec. 3.	" J. K. Sass, on account, for the expenses General Council, for 1862, held in Augusta, Geo.	" "	" St. John's Church, Winnsboro',	" "	5 00
1863.	" J. K. Sass, in full for quota of General Council,.....	" "	" Christ Church, Charleston,	" "	5 00
Jan. 4,	Balance in hand,.....	" "	" Trinity Church, Columbia,	" "	20 00
		" "	" Grace Church, Society Hill,	" "	10 00
		" "	" Christ Church, Columbia,	" "	20 00
		" "	" Zion Church, Richland,	" "	5 00
		" "	" St. John's, Berkley,	" "	20 00
		" "	" St. James', Santee.	" "	10 00
		" "	" St. Thaddæus, Aiken.	" "	5 00
		" "	" All Saint's Church, Waccamaw,	" "	10 00
		" "	" Grace Church, Camden,	" "	10 00
		" "	" Church of Holy Cross, Claremont, 1861 &	" "	10 00
		" "	" Christ Church, Greenville,	" "	10 00
		" "	" St. Andrew's, Christ Church Parish,	" "	5 00
		" "	" St. Paul's Church, Stono,	" "	10 00
		" "	" Christ Church, Mar's Bluff.	" "	20 00
		" "	" Prince Frederick Church, Peedee, 1861 &	" "	10 00*
		" "	" St. Jude's Church, Walterboro'	" "	20 00
		" "	" Christ Church, Wilton,	" "	40 00
		" 14	" St. Paul's Church, Charleston,	" "	5 00
		" "	" St. John's Church, Richland,	" "	20 00
		April 4	" St. Philip's Church, Charleston, 1861	" "	5 00
		" "	" Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg,	" "	20 00
		Jan. 14,	" St. Peter's Church, Charleston,	" "	247 30
		" "	" Wm. E. Martin, Treasurer, balance,	" "	5 00
		Feb. 14,	" Church of Holy Comforter, Sumter,	" "	\$622 30
					\$622 30

Charleston, 13th Feb. 1863.

F. P. ELFORD, Treasurer.

The Bishop's Address was then read to the Convention by the Rev. Thomas F. Davis.

Brethren of the Convention:

I now lay before you my annual address. Since the last Convention my official acts have been as follows:

1862, February 15th, Saturday, Charleston. In the forenoon consecrated to the service of Almighty God, St. Luke's Church; Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D. and Rev. Messrs. Drayton and James H. Elliott reading the service, and the Rector, Rev. C. P. Gadsden preaching the sermon. Rev. Philip Gadsden read the Sentence of consecration. A very full congregation including a number of the Clergy was present.

February 16th, Sunday, Forenoon—Preached at the Church of the Holy Communion and confirmed three white persons and one colored.

February 23d, Sunday.—St. John's Berkley, Forenoon—At Strawberry Chapel, I preached to the congregation, the Rector, Rev. Mr. Olmsted reading the service. After an interval, preached again to a large congregation of colored people in the chapel built for them. The Rector had very lately taken charge of this parish which accounts for there being no confirmation.

February 26th, Wednesday—Trinity Church, Black Oak.—I preached in the Parish Church; Rev. Edward Walker who had just taken temporary charge of the church reading the service; Rev. C. P. Gadsden and Rev. R. P. Johnson being also present. Rev. P. F. Stevens had just taken charge of this field of labor when he was called to the service of his country. Mr. Walker had arrived but a few days before myself; this again accounts for there being no confirmation.

February 28th, Friday—Fast-Day appointed by the President of the Confederate States. At the Church of the Epiphany, Upper St. John's, I preached on the state of the country and confirmed seven white persons.

March 2nd, Sunday—At St. Stephen's Church, Pineville—I preached in the forenoon, baptized two infants and confirmed four white persons and one colored. In the afternoon at the plantation of Mr. Warren Palmer, the Rector, Rev. R. P. Johnson preached, and I confirmed three colored persons. At night, at Bluford, the plantation of Mr. Julius Dubose, I preached to the colored people and confirmed eight—four of the number belonging to adjoining plantations. Rev. Mr. Johnson read the service—the servants here exhibited much

christian intelligence and interest in the worship of God and the preaching of the Gospel—all showing assiduous care for their spiritual welfare.

May 11th, Sunday, Forenoon—In St. Paul's Church, Charleston, I confirmed seventeen white and three colored persons—the Rector preaching the sermon, and Rev. Mr. Shand reading the service. In the afternoon at St. John's Chapel, Rev. Mr. Shand preached and I confirmed ten white and three colored persons.

May 13th, Tuesday—At St. Luke's Church, I confirmed fifteen white and nineteen colored persons—the Rector preaching the sermon.

May 18th, Sunday—In the forenoon at St. Michael's Church confirmed thirteen white persons, and in the afternoon at St. Philip's nine more.

Wednesday 21st—At night, in St. Stephen's Chapel confirmed five white persons, one belonging to the Church of the Holy Communion.

June 1st, Sunday—In Grace Church, Camden, ordained to the Holy Order of Deacons, Messrs. A. R. Walker and W. W. Patrick. The candidates were presented by the Rev. Paul Trapier, I preached.

June 8th, Whit-Sunday—In St. David's Church, Cheraw, Divine Service was held—Present Rev. Messrs. Brown, Green, Patrick and Quinby. I preached and Holy Communion was administered—At the afternoon service Rev. Mr. Quinby preached and I confirmed eleven white persons—At night Rev. Mr. Green preached.

June 10th, Tuesday—Divine service was held in the forenoon, and I confirmed four white persons.

June 11th, Wednesday—In Trinity Church, Society Hill, Divine Service was held and I preached.

June 12th, Thursday—Rev. Mr. Brown preached.

June 15, Sunday—Mar's Bluff, Divine Service—Present Rev. Messrs. Moore and Brown. Mr. Brown preached, and in the afternoon at a service held for the colored people he preached again.

June 22d, Sunday—I confirmed eighteen white persons and one colored, in Grace Church, Camden.

July 6th, Sunday, Forenoon—Christ Church, Columbia—I preached, the Rector reading the service, and confirmed nine white persons and one colored. In the afternoon in Trinity Church, Rev. Lucien Lance preached, and I confirmed nine white persons. Present Rev. Messrs. Shand and Lance, and the Rev. Mr. Malet of England.

July 13th, Sunday, Forenoon—In St. Thaddeus' Church, Aiken, the Rector, Rev J. H. Cornish read the service and I preached—In the afternoon I preached again and confirmed seventeen white persons.

July 15, Tuesday, Forenoon—In Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell, Rev. B. B. Sams read service and I preached—At night I preached again and confirmed one white person.

July 17th, Thursday, Blackville, Forenoon—In the Methodist Church which was kindly lent to us for the service, Rev. Mr. Sams read service, and I preached and confirmed one white person. This was my first visitation to Blackville, and the first confirmation ever held there. I hope that an Episcopal congregation may be established there.

August 2nd, Saturday—In the Forenoon in the Church of the Nativity, Unionville, Rev. C. B. Walker read service and I preached—In the afternoon Rev. Mr. Walker preached—Present, Rev. Messrs. Walker and McCollough.

August 3d, Sunday—In the forenoon I preached and confirmed five white persons, the Holy Communion was administered—In the afternoon Rev. Mr. Walker preached and I confirmed one white person.

August 4th, Monday—Confirmed in private one sick white person.

August 6th, Wednesday—Glenn Springs—In the forenoon I preached and confirmed eight white persons—Present, Rev. Messrs. McCollough, Walker and Jones—In the afternoon Rev. Mr. McCollough preached.

August 9th, Saturday, Forenoon—I preached in Spartanburg—Afternoon, Rev. Mr. Walker preached.

August 10th, Sunday—Rev. Mr. Walker preached in the forenoon and Holy Communion was administered—At night I preached.

August 28th, Thursday—Ridgeway—Present Rev. Messrs. Hutcheson and Lance. In the forenoon Rev. Mr. Lance preached and I confirmed five colored persons.

August 30th, Saturday—Winnsboro, Forenoon—Divine service was held, I preached—Rev. Mr. O'Bear was present in addition to the two clergymen above mentioned.

August 31st, Sunday—In the forenoon I preached and confirmed seven white and three colored persons—and in the afternoon Rev. Mr. Lance preached.

September 2nd, Tuesday—At night I preached at Chester and confirmed seven white persons. Present Rev. Messrs. J. J. Sams, Pringle and McCollough.

September 3rd, Wednesday—Rev. Mr. McCollough preached in the forenoon, and at night Rev. Mr. Pringle preached.

September 5th, Friday—Yorkville—Rev. J. J. Sams preached at night. Present Rev. Messrs. Stoney, J. J. Sams and Wm. Johnson.

September 6th, Saturday—Divine service was held at night. I preached and confirmed three white persons.

September 7th, Sunday—In the forenoon I preached and Holy Communion was administered—and in the afternoon Rev. Mr. Stoney preached.

September 21st, Sunday—In Grace Church, Camden, I preached and confirmed one white person.

September 28th, Sunday—In St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs, I confirmed one white person.

October 4th, Saturday—In the forenoon Rev. Mr. Howe preached in Christ Church, Greenville—and at night Rev. James Elliott preached.

October 5th, Sunday—In the forenoon I preached and Holy Communion was administered—In the afternoon Divine service was postponed on account of the funeral of a venerable Minister of the Baptist Church—At night, Rev. Mr. Howe preached and I confirmed five white persons. There were present during these services Rev. Dr. Walker, and the Rev. Messrs. Arthur, Howe, James Elliott, Campbell and Potter—also, Rev. Mr. Malet of England.

October 10th, Friday—Divine service was held at Abbeville, Rev. Mr. Seabrook preached.

October 11th, Saturday—Rev. Mr. Seabrook preached again in the forenoon.

October 12th, Sunday—In the forenoon the Rector Rev. B. Johnson read service and I preached and confirmed eight white persons. For the rest of the day we were prevented from holding service by the inclemency of the weather.

October 14th, Tuesday, Forenoon—In St. Stephen's Church, Willington, Rev. B. Johnson preached—I confirmed seven white persons and one colored, and addressed the candidates. Afternoon Rev. Mr. Johnson preached again.

October 15th, Wednesday—Rev. Mr. Johnson read service, I preached and confirmed two white persons—Holy Communion was administered. Of those confirmed eight were youths of the Church-school at this place; a christian result for which their teacher has long toiled and prayed. May his labors continue to be blessed, and the good seed by him sown produce much fruit for time and for eternity.

October 19th, Sunday—Pendleton, Forenoon—The Rector. Rev. A. H. Cornish and Rev. Mr. Pinckney read the service, and I preached and confirmed five white persons. In the afternoon Rev. Mr. Pinckney held service in St. Paul's Church,

and the Rector and myself went five miles in the country to the plantation of Mr. Richard Porcher and held service with the family and servants in the Chapel of the place; I confirmed one white person.

October 20th, Monday—Anderson—In Grace Church Divine service was held at night, Rev. B. Johnson preached.

October 21st, Tuesday—Rev. B. Johnson preached in the forenoon, and in the afternoon Rev. Mr. Arthur preached.

October 22nd, Wednesday—In the forenoon I preached and confirmed six white persons. Afternoon, Rev. Mr. Pinckney preached, and at night Rev. B. Johnson preached.

October 23rd, Thursday—In the forenoon Rev. Lucien Lance preached, and in the afternoon Rev. Mr. Pinckney preached. Present during these services, the above named clergymen, with the Rector, Rev. Joseph Seabrook, and Rev. Messrs. A. H. Cornish and Keith.

October 25th, Saturday—Laurens—At night Divine service was held in the Church of the Epiphany—Rev. Edward Walker preached, Rev. Lucien Lance, Missionary at this place and at Newberry, reading the service.

October 26th, Sunday, Forenoon—I preached and Holy Communion was administered—In the afternoon and at night Rev. Edward Walker preached.

October 27th, Monday—Newberry—Divine service in the afternoon—Rev. Mr. Arthur preached, Rev. Mr. Lance reading the service.

October 28th, Tuesday—In the forenoon I preached and confirmed one white person, and in the afternoon Rev. Edward Walker preached.

November 9th, Sunday, Forenoon—In Grace Church, Camden, I confirmed two white persons.

December 1st—Orangeburg—I preached in the Church of the Redeemer and confirmed three white and three colored persons.

1863. January 18th, Sunday—Sumterville—I preached in the Church of the Holy Comforter, and confirmed one white person. In the afternoon I preached again, the Minister, Rev. Albert Walker reading the service both times.

February 1st—Septuagesima Sunday—In the Church of the Holy Cross, Stateburgh, the Rector, Rev. Mr. Roberts read the service, and the Holy Communion was administered—I preached and confirmed five white and twelve colored persons.

The whole number of persons confirmed since the last Convention is, white, 222; colored, 64: total 296.

I have admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons Mr. A. R. Walker and Mr. W. W. Patrick.

There are now nine Candidates for Orders in the Diocese, Thomas E. Evans, W. C. Guerry, John Johnson, W. P. DuBose, Thomas F. Gadsden, John W. Motte, P. D. Hay, Robert H. Wilson, and D. D. Rosa.

It is my painful duty to inform you that on the 30th of July last I solemnly degraded from the sacred ministry of the Church of Jesus Christ, the Rev. Thomas J. Girardeau, for gross immorality. This was done agreeably to Canon V of 1850 of the old General Convention.

I have consecrated to the service of Almighty God, St. Luke's Church, Charleston.

Account of Diocesan and Missionary funds in my hands:—Remaining over from last Convention \$1152.30; Received since that time, from collection on the first day of Convention, \$31; Walterboro, \$156; North Santee, \$20; St. Thadeus' Church, Aiken, \$16.31; Christ Church, Wilton, \$63.69; Mr. Octavius Porcher, \$101; Society Hill, \$30; Cheraw, \$7; St. Michaels, Charleston, \$12; Rev. A. T. Porter, \$5; Christ Church, Greenville, \$25; Beaufort, \$6; Mr. Wm. DuBose, \$100; Grace Church, Camden, \$160; in all \$1885.30.

Expended of these funds since the last Convention: Branchville, \$50; Rev. B. B. Sams, \$50; Rev. P. Trapier for Orangeburg, \$75; Rev. J. M. Green, \$20; Rev. A. Moore, \$150; Rev. J. D. McCollough, \$250; Rev. J. J. Sams, \$100; Rev. Lucien Lance, \$150; Rev. L. F. Guerry, \$100; Rev. W. W. Patrick, \$100; Rev. S. Mellichamp, \$150; Extra Missionary services in Spartanburg, \$100; in all, \$1295; leaving in my hands, \$590.30.

Account of Theological Seminary funds in my hands: Remaining over from last Convention, \$221.60; Since then I have received from Mrs. Gracey, \$10; Trinity Church, Columbia, \$20; St. Stephen's Church, Willington, \$20; in all, \$271.60.

I have expended since that time, for Mr. Patrick, \$30; Mr. Guerry, \$30; and to the Rev. Messrs. Trapier and Hanckel, \$100 each in payment of salary; in all, \$260: Leaving in my hands, \$11.60.

Having thus concluded my official acts, let me bring before you some points of deep feeling and interest. Beloved brethren, we look around upon each other in this assembly and two loved forms are absent—never more to resume their seats among us. It has pleased God to take to their rest the Rev. Wm. Dehon and the Rev. Edward Reed. The death of each struck a chord which vibrated through the whole heart of the Church. Never before in so short a time have we been called upon to hold such strong sympathy with death. Surely we

all feel it to be very near us indeed and powerfully impressive. We mourn as absent from us never to return, two examples of christian faith, epistles of Christ to be read of all men. Pure in heart, gentle in conduct, loving in feeling, upright and holy in purpose, constant and inflexible in right, ceaseless in devotion to his Master's service, each, in his appropriate measure moved among us, an influence and a truth; we felt their presence with us, and it was to us a strength and a rejoicing in the fellowship of Christ. They are gone—and we pay to their memories this small tribute of truth and love. And oh! brethren, let us be solemnly *admonished*. By these direct teachings of his Providence God speaks to us more forcibly than by words. Who shall go next? How shall he be prepared? Especially does this touch the hearts of us who are the ministers of Christ. When shall I be called? What account of my ministry will I be able to render? Oh! may we possess in that hour the triumphing assurance and faith of Him who could say—“I am ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand—I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day.”

On the 13th day of last November, in the city of Augusta, Georgia, I took my seat in the House of Bishops of the First General Council of our Church. The proceedings of that body have been laid before you in the public prints, and I congratulate you, brethren, upon the regular and permanent organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States of America. This puts to rest all questions which before may have divided us, and we now stand compact and firm, built up in the Lord. Seldom has an ecclesiastical assembly met under circumstances so auspicious for calm, just and harmonious legislation. We were in the midst of a revolutionary struggle for all that men hold dear; but this fact so far from producing undue and disturbing excitement, threw us upon a strong and deep community of feeling and of purpose. There was no prejudice—no party—no passion—no local divisions—no selfish ends: it was all one great issue for our Country and our Church. There were some minor divisions of opinion—there were some human infirmities; but seldom has there been seen more concentrated purpose and effort. The result has been happy. We have all returned to our homes with more united confidence, and a settled feeling of right. The old Canons which we have known so long and so unsatisfactorily, have been made to undergo a laborious and se-

vere revision, and from them have been deduced a code much more clear, definite and coherent. There will still remain probably errors for experience to correct; but all who have to administer these Canons feel that they breathe more freely. We rejoice in the good work of our God upon us thus far; and every true lover of the Church, and of the spiritual inheritance which God hath given us must rejoice. But, brethren, our Zion cannot be built up by Constitutions and Canons only—we owe our God much more; and every one of us must feel that there are great religious obligations upon the Southern Church. We have entered into a fearful struggle under the deep sense of right and truth. We have appealed to God. In the Church especially we have laid our hands upon the horns of the altar, and looked up to Him. We have confessed our sins, but said that we had never forsaken our faith. We have trusted, and we believe, that we have been more true to the Gospel, the Creeds, and the early Councils, than those who are now our enemies. Surely, when it shall please God to hear our prayer, and our liberties and independence shall be acknowledged—there will be due to Him the homage of grateful hearts. If southern men have free spirits, bold resolves, and high appreciations—let them show it in their religion and towards their God. If they be true men, let it be known in a true and living faith in Him who died for them. Let this be the inscription of their spiritual standard, “He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.”

The number of confirmations among the colored people for the past year is less than one-sixth part of the annual confirmations of each year for the last preceding nine; and the confirmations are tolerably fair exponents of ministerial operations among these people. Why is this? The cause is only too apparent. Along our entire coast, including its islands and adjacent territories with rare exceptions, the voice of our ministers is no longer heard among them nor their footsteps seen. Who is answerable for this loss and moral wrong to these unoffending people? But we do not expect to make any impression upon our enemies; nor is it for us to condemn: the judgment is above and there we must all give account. But this seems clear; that the Southern people must alone be looked to for the religious instruction of the negro population, and to this let me call your attention. In South Carolina these people furnish the especial Missionary subjects of the Episcopal Church; I would endeavor to impress this very earnestly, and urge the necessity for increased exertion in this sphere of duty. It

needs fixed principles and settled determinations and conduct. We must be governed by our sense of duty, and the magnitude of the trust committed to us. It is a work of self-denying labor, and often of many discouragements and disappointments. There will be too, and there has been, especially of late, much to try our faith: but let us move resolutely forward in this work. Let us be convinced of its great importance and necessity. Let us consider it as placed upon us by God. Let us make it a work honored and esteemed. Let us uphold the hands and cheer the hearts of those who give up their lives to constant, faithful labors in this department of Christ's kingdom; and thus in faith let us await the blessing of God.

In the statement submitted to you of the missionary funds in my hands, there is a much larger expenditure than there has been in any preceeding year. This has been done from the earnest desire of supporting all the Churches and Missionary positions of the middle and up-country; not only that the Church should be advanced and her borders enlarged among those resident there, but also that those who have been driven from their homes should find everywhere a place of worship. We have great reason to be thankful to God that this has been so generally accomplished. There is at present I believe no vacant church throughout this part of our state, and a large portion of the congregation of each is composed of those who are exiles from their homes. But to do this the funds have been entirely exhausted; for those reported as remaining in my hands have been already pledged, and those of the Advancement Society, (which has been chiefly instrumental in furnishing supplies,) are also insufficient. Will you permit me to request, brethren, that immediate contributions be made that this necessary aid should be kept up? The times are trying, let us bear each others burdens, and let us seek not our own, but every man another's wealth.

Permit me once more to commend to your liberality and kind consideration our Theological Seminary; and to renew the expression of my deep conviction of its necessity and value. At present all our Students are in the military service of their country, and the Professors necessarily unoccupied in their proper departments. But all are ready with increased zeal and interest to return to their spiritual duties when the good Providence of God shall restore our rights. Then we look forward with assured confidence to extended and permanent usefulness. We trust to be enabled to carry on the great and glorious work of preparing a Southern Ministry for the Southern country. I know, Brethren, that this is a

cause near to your hearts ; and I beseech you to sustain our efforts, to cheer us with your sympathies and unite with us in prayer to God, for this branch of the Church of Christ in our Diocese.

THOS. F. DAVIS.

The Tellers of the Clerical vote for Standing Committee of the Church, reported by Rev. Mr. McCollough, that the full Board had been elected, lacking one Clerical member.

Dr. Wm. Reynolds, Teller to count the votes of the Laity, reported a full election.

One Clerical member of the Standing Committee, remaining to be chosen, a second ballot was had, which resulted in the election of the remaining Clerical member.

The following compose the *Standing Committee*, viz :

The Rev. Chr. Hanckel, D.D.,	Messrs. James Ladson,
“ P T. Keith,	Dr. I. M. Campbell,
“ C. C. Pinckney, Jr.,	H. D. Lesesne,
“ C. P. Gadsden,	Edward McCrady,
“ W B. W. Howe,	Wm. E. Martin.

Mr. John Hanckel, Treasurer of the Bishop's Permanent Fund, reported as follows :

DR *Bishop's Permanent Fund, in account with JOHN HANCKEL, Treasurer.* CR.

1862.		1862.	
To Paid the Bishop of the Diocese four Quarters Salary,	4000 00	By Balance from last year....	\$ 136. 41
“ Incidental Expenses.....	190 49	By Interest and Dividends....	3,809 89
		By Balance at debit.....	244 19
	\$4,190 49		\$4,190 49

JOHN HANCKEL, *Treasurer.*

The report was accepted.

The Rev. Paul Trapier moved, that action under the fourth clause of the fourth Rule of Order, be postponed. Carried.

The Election of *Trustees of the Diocesan Seminary* was then in order.

The President named the Rev. Messrs. Keith and Porter Tellers to count the Clerical vote : and Messrs. Pringle and Hanckel to count the Lay vote :

Election of *Trustees of the University of the South*.—The Rev. Mr. Trapier moved that the election be by *via voce*. Carried.

Whereupon were elected :

Rev. A. Glennie, John A. Calhoun, W. A. Pringle. Treasurer, J. F. Blacklock.

The Rev. Mr. McCollough, moved that the next Convention (Council) be held in Spartanburg, in the Church of the Advent.

The Tellers (Clerical and Lay) on the election of Trustees of the *Diocesan Seminary*, reported the re-election of the same persons as last year.

Mr. Clarkson (as an amendment to Mr. McCollough's motion) moved that the next Convention (Council) be held in Christ Church, Columbia, on the third Wednesday in February, 1864.

The Rev. Mr. Porter moved that this amendment be laid on the table. Carried.

Mr. Sass moved, as an amendment, that the Convention (Council) meet in St. Philip's, Charleston, on the second Wednesday in April, 1864. This amendment was also laid on the table, and the question coming up on the original motion it was agreed to.

Time of Meeting. The Rev. Mr. Pinckney moved that the Convention (Council) meet on the second Wednesday in May, 1864.—Agreed to.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported through the Rev. Mr. Pinckney:

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report, that they have examined the Journal of 1862, and find the following matters awaiting the action of this Convention:

On *page 29* of Journal, Rev. W. H. Hanckel moved to amend the 4th Article of the Constitution, by substituting "*twenty* for *ten*, as the number necessary to form a quorum." This was agreed to in 1860.—It does not appear that any action has been taken upon the subject since. Being an amendment of the Constitution, it requires a two-thirds vote of this Convention to make it effectual.

On *page 32*, A Committee, consisting of the Bishop, Rev. P. Trapier, Messrs. Lesesne, DeSaussure and Pringle, was appointed to present to the Legislature a form of Incorporation of Churches for this Diocese. Said Committee was directed to report the action of the Legislature to this Convention, that it might be printed (if accepted) in each succeeding Journal.

On *page 37*, A Committee on verbal alterations of the Constitution, recommended that "Council" be substituted for "Convention," and "Confederate" for "United," wherever the words appear. Their recommendations were adopted: But they require the action of this Convention to sanction the alteration.

On *page 38*, The same Committee report an important amendment of Article 14 of the Constitution, concerning Deputies to the General Council. This also awaits the action of the present Convention, in order to become law.

On *same page*, 38, The report of the Committee on "Parish Boundaries," appears to have been laid on the table, in the hurry of ad-

journalment. It contains an amendment of the 12th Article of the Constitution, and awaits your consideration at this Convention.

On *page 29*, A Resolution of Rev. A. Wigfall, regarding the safe keeping of the Records of the Convention. It does not appear that any action has been taken in the matter.

On *page 30*, A Resolution of Rev. C. C. Pinckney, appears for the appointment of a Committee to examine the nature of the bequests from this Diocese to the General Theological Seminary. No report has been received from this Committee. As the war has discharged said Committee, we respectfully recommend that this Convention confirm their discharge, and that said portion of the Report on Journal of 1862, be dropped from the next Journal.

Respectfully submitted,
C. C. PINCKNEY, *Chairman*.

The Rev J. H. Cornish moved that in the Constitution and Canons the word *Convention* be changed to *Council*, and the word *United* to *Confederate*, wherever they occur. Carried.

• The Rev. Mr. Trapier moved the second passage of amendments to Article 14th of the Constitution. Agreed to.

The Rev. Mr. Trapier moved the following Resolutions; which were agreed to:

Resolved, That Article II of the Constitution, be amended, to read as follows:

ARTICLE II. *Of Meetings.*

SECTION 1. A Stated Council shall be held annually in Charleston, on the second Wednesday in February, or at such time and place as shall have been determined upon by the preceeding Council.

SECTION 2. The Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, shall have power to call a Special meeting of the Council, and such meeting shall be held when and where the Authority so calling it shall determine; and at such meeting no other business shall be transacted than that in the notice so calling said meeting; nor shall a Bishop or Assistant Bishop be elected at such meeting.

SECTION 3. In case there be an epidemic disease, or other cause, deemed sufficient in the judgment of the Ecclesiastical Authority, to require a change of the time or place for the meeting of a Council, either stated or special, the said Authority may designate another time or place for holding such meeting, to be held within not less than a month after such designation.

Resolved, That Article IX be stricken out.

The Rev. J. H. Cornish gave notice that at the next annual Council he would propose the following amendment to Article III, Section 2d of the Constitution:

ARTICLE III. SEC. 2,—The Bishop, the Assistant Bishop and every other Clergyman, who has been actually, as well as canonically resident within the Diocese for the space of twelve calendar months

next before the meeting of the Council, and has for the same period been performing the duties of his station, as Rector, Minister, or Assistant Minister of a parish; or as a Missionary, acting under the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese; or as Chaplain in any public or benevolent institution; or as Professor in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese,—shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of the Council.

Every other Clergyman, who has been actually as well as canonically resident in the Diocese for the previous twelve months, shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Council, with the exception of the right to vote.

A note was read by the Secretary, from the Rev. John T. Wightman, offering the pulpit of Trinity Church to the Clerical members of the Council on Sunday next.

On motion, the thanks of the Council were returned for the invitation.

Mr. McCrady moved a suspension of the order of adjournment.—Carried.

It was then moved that Council take a recess until half past seven o'clock, this evening. Agreed to.

N I G H T S E S S I O N.

The Council met at the hour appointed.

The Rev. T. F. Davis, after remarks, offered the following Preamble and Resolutions, which were adopted:

Whereas it hath pleased the Divine Head of the Church to take from this world, the souls of our beloved Brethren, the Rev. WILLIAM DEHON and the Rev. EDWARD REED, men whose rare excellence, both as individuals and as Christian Ministers, deserves a special tribute of commemoration at our hands.

Therefore, *Resolved*, That having long loved, esteemed and admired them in life, we do, with aching hearts and a saddened sense of our own loss and that of the whole Church, lament them in death.

Resolved, That we render humble and hearty thanks to the Only Giver of all Grace, for the loving holiness of their characters, the

untiring faithfulness of their labours, and the precious legacy of their examples; and our fervent desire is, that the present and future Ministry of our Church may be like them in zeal, in truth, and in high and unswerving devotion to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Resolved, That these proceedings be entered on the Journal of the Council, and that the Secretary be requested to communicate the same to the families of the deceased.

Mr. H. D. Lesesne, presented the Report of the Trustees of the Diocesan Seminary, with the Reports of the Professors and that of the Treasurer, as follows:

Report of the Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary.

The Trustees of "the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina," present to the Council this their fifth annual Report:

All the Students have entered the Army, and are now in service; so that the exercises of the Institution have been suspended for want of Students, since the close of the term, which ended on the 30th day of June last. It depends for its support, on voluntary contributions, which have been much smaller than usual during the past year, and the Treasurer's Report, herewith submitted, shows that there is still due for Professors' Salaries, up to the date of the suspension, the sum of \$223. Of that amount, however, the sum of \$151 has been received since the Council commenced its session, and the residue will doubtless soon be made up. From the same Report it also appears that the fund for permanent endowment, which last year amounted to \$1953, has now reached the sum of \$2550.

All the Students, whose lives shall be preserved to the end of the war, are expected to return. Others will no doubt join them, when that happy period arrives; and the Institution is most earnestly commended to the fostering care of the members of our Church. Its importance can not be over estimated. The relations which it establishes—like those of parent and sons—between the Chief Shepherd and the future overseers of the flock, are alike beneficial and comfortable to both. The usefulness and efficiency of the few it has transferred to the Ministry, furnish practical evidence of its great value.

In this view the endowment of the Institution by a fund, which will yield a sufficient income for its expenses, becomes a subject of great interest. One hundred thousand dollars would be enough for the purpose. The Trustees do not doubt that that sum will sooner or later be made up; and they respectfully ask leave to recommend this matter to those whom God has blessed with prosperity as an object worthy of their benefactions.

The annual Reports of the Professors are appended hereto.

Report of the Professor of Ecclesiastical History, in charge also of Scriptural Exegesis.

To the Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary:

The undersigned has but a meager account to give of his stewardship during the year past. Of the seven residents then reported,

the two in the Senior Class, having nearly completed their course, were Ordained in June. Of the other five all but one were led by anticipation of conscription to enlist in the army, and were thus withdrawn from instruction. The only one remaining, because exempt under the law of this State from liability to militia duty, was soon after made liable to it by Confederate legislation, and at the close of the term, near the end of June, was taken from us. Since that time the exercises of the Seminary have ceased, and it is now in a state of "suspended animation," to be awakened, we trust, to new life, so soon as the present war is over. Meanwhile your Professor, deprived of course alike of employment and salary, has taken to school-keeping; but holds himself ready to resume his work under your appointment so soon as you desire that he should.

The Students in their last term with him persued their duties with exemplary diligence, but he deems it unnecessary to give details, where the conclusion was sudden and summary. He prays habitually that he may be privileged once more to engage in the work, which has been the most delightful of all his life, and probably the most useful.

Respectfully,

PAUL TRAPIER.

Report of the Professor of Systematic Divinity and Evidences of Christianity.

The Professor of Systematic Divinity has but a meager report of services to make since the last Convention. At that time three of the Senior Class had already joined the army. The remaining two completed their course of study, using in this department, Brown on the Thirty-nine Articles as text book, and in connection (on the several subjects described) The Homilies, Hooker's Sermons, a chapter from McCosh on Divine Government, Hill's Lectures on Divinity, Horsley's Good Friday Sermons, Secker on Popery, and Jerram on Infant Baptism.

One member of the Middle Class finished the course for that year. The remainder were withdrawn by the exigencies of the times, when they had nearly concluded Pearson on the Creed, with Secker and Horsley and Hill as colateral texts on the several points as they arose.

The only member of the Junior Class left at the same time, and for the same reason; having almost finished Vinet's Homiletics and Keith on the Prophecies.

Our work was brought to an abrupt conclusion on the 1st June—to be renewed, we hope and trust, in God's good time, under happier and more favorable circumstances.

Respectfully,

J. S. HANCKEL,

Professor of Systematic Divinity.

Report of the Professor of Pastoral Theology and Church Polity.

I regret that I have so little to report of my duties as Professor, during the past year. At the date of my last annual report, I had

completed two-thirds of the course on Church Polity with the Senior Class. Between that time and the month of June, I concluded the course, with the only two remaining members of that Class. At the close of the term these two young gentlemen were Ordained to the Diaconate, and are now actively and efficiently engaged in the work of the Ministry.

Since June last, the exercises of the Institution have been suspended. May it please God, in his good Providence, soon to restore such a state of peace and tranquillity to the country, as will enable us to resume the labours of this most important department of the Church in our Diocese.

THOS. F. DAVIS,
Pres. & Prof. of Ch. Pol. & Past. Theol.

The Diocesan Theological Seminary of South-Carolina, in account with H. D. Lesesne, Treasurer. Cr.

Dr.

FOR CURRENT EXPENSES.

1862. Feb.	To balance due Treasurer.....	\$ 42 83	1863. Feb.	By Subscriptions and Donations, since last anniversary, per account in book,.....	\$1573 01
1863. Feb.	" paid for sundries and on account of Professors' salaries, since last anniversary, per account in book,.....	1530 75	"	" balance due Treasurer,.....	57
		<u>\$1578 53</u>			<u>\$1573 58</u>

Besides the payments made to the Professors, by the Treasurer, the Bishop has paid each of them \$100. The balance still due for Professors' salaries, up to July 1862, is \$223.

FOR PERMANENT ENDOWMENT.

1862. April 9.	To paid for \$700, Confederate States, 8 per ct. Stock,.....	\$700 00	1862. Feb.	By balance, per account,	\$485 25
1863. Feb.	" deposited in Charleston Savings Institution,	\$200 00	1863. Feb.	" donations, since received, per account,.....	407 00
		<u>\$900 00</u>	"	" balance due Treasurer,.....	7 75
					<u>\$900 00</u>

INVESTMENTS.

Deposit in Charleston Savings Institution, (besides interest accumulated) per book,	\$ 925
State 7 per cent. Bonds,.....	300
Conf. State 8 per cent. Bonds and Stock,.....	1000
8 Shares State Bank Stock,.....	200
5 Shares Charleston Gas Company,.....	125
	<u>\$2,550</u>

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February 1863.

HENRY D. LESESNE, Treasurer.

The Bishop addressed the Council on the subject of the Diocesan Seminary, and urged its great importance, both to this Diocese and the Confederacy in respect to training Candidates for the sacred Ministry.

Mr. Hanckel, from the Committee on the safe keeping of the Records, moved the discharge of the said Committee. Carried.

The Rev. Mr. Trapier read the Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Churches, with Resolutions recommended by them, and moved their adoption. Agreed to.

The Committee, appointed at your last session to present to the Legislature of this State a petition for the enactment of the form then adopted for *Incorporation of Churches*, respectfully report:

That they have done as directed, and that the said form has been enacted without alteration.

The Committee, therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution, viz:

Resolved 1st. That this Council accepting the *Act to Incorporate with uniform rights, powers and privileges Protestant Episcopal Congregations in South-Carolina*, does hereby set it forth to be conformed to by the Congregations in this Diocese, and does advise that those, not yet incorporated, or whose charters have expired, do avail themselves of its provisions.

Resolved 2dly. That the said form be published with the Journal of each succeeding Council of this Diocese.

Resolved 3dly. That the Secretary publish with the Journal of this and of each succeeding Council, so long as may be necessary, a list of the Congregations whose charters have, or are to expire, with the dates of these latter; in order that the Congregations therein named may apply for incorporation under this Act, as they may severally desire.

THOS. F. DAVIS, *Chairman.*

Report of the Committee on Parish Boundaries, reported in 1862, was taken up, and it was moved that its recommendations be added to the Constitution. Agreed to.

Mr. Elford moved that the name of the Church of the Mediator, Columbia, be removed from the List of Churches. Passed.

Dr. Wm. Reynolds offered the following Resolution, which was agreed to—

Resolved, That it is proper that the Salaries of the Professors in the Diocesan Theological Seminary should continue to be paid, notwithstanding the suspension of the exercises of the Institution; and that it be recommended to those who have hitherto contributed to its support, to keep up their contributions.

Mr. Hanckel moved, that the recommendations contained in the above Resolution be brought before the Congregations of the Diocese by their Rectors. Passed.

Mr. Elford moved, two hundred and fifty copies of the Journal be printed. Passed.

Rev. Mr. Trapier moved, to go into an election for Deputies to the General Council.

The Rev. Messrs. Trapier and Kidney were appointed Tellers of the Clerical vote; and Messrs. Sass and Hanckel of the Lay vote.

Mr. B. J. Wilkins moved to elect alternate Deputies. Agreed to.

The Tellers, Clerical and Lay, reported the re-election of the same Deputies as last year, viz:

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.	Messrs. J. K. Sass,
" Paul Trapier,	R. F. W. Allston,
" C. C. Pinckney, Jr.	Edward McCrady.

The following were elected their alternates, viz:

The Rev. J. S. Kidney,	Messrs. Plowden C. J. Weston,
" P. J. Shand,	J. J. Pringle Smith,
" C. P. Gadsden,	G. A. Trenholm.

The Rev. Mr. Pinckney moved, that the Committee on Bequests to the General Theological Seminary be discharged. Agreed to.

Dr. Wm. Reynolds, offered the following Resolution; which was, on his motion, ordered to lie on the table—

Resolved, That the Delegates to the General Council be requested, when the subject of any change in the Book of Common Prayer comes up, to urge that in the Prayer for the President of the Confederate States, the words, *Governor of the State*, be inserted, and in the Prayer for Congress, the words, *the Legislature of this State*.

There being no further business before the Council; after remarks from the Bishop, inviting to renewed trust in the good Providence of God over his Church; and after singing *the Gloria in Excelsis*, followed by Prayers and the Benediction, the Council adjourned at half past eleven P. M.

W. B. W. HOWE, *Secretary*.

PAROCHIAL, MISSIONARY AND OTHER REPORTS.

Arranged Alphabetically According to the Names of the Clergy.

FROM 12TH FEBRUARY 1862, TO FEBRUARY 11TH 1863.

Grace Church, Camden.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Davis, D. D. Rector.

The Rev. Thomas F. Davis, jun. Assistant Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 3 white; children, 12 white, 2 colored; total, 17. Marriages, 5 white; 1 colored; total, 6. Burials, 7 white. Communicants, admitted, 14 white; removed, 3 white; 1 colored; present number, 87 white; 7 colored; total, 94. Congregation—Families, 42 white; 3 colored; total, 45. Confirmed by the Bishop, 22 white; 1 colored; total, 23. Sunday School, 13 teachers, white; 61 scholars, white. Contributions, Communion alms, \$207.58; Missions, Diocesan, \$175.83; Books and Tracts for Soldiers, \$75.12; Hospital at McPhersonville, \$140; Hospitals in Virginia, \$33.50; Ladies Tract Society of Charleston, \$17.28; Children of the Sunday School for Bis'p. Lay, \$23.75; same, to buy Tracts for Soldiers, \$4.60. Total, \$677.64.

REMARKS.—In March last the Assistant Rector, during a visit to the Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter, baptized two white infants belonging to that Congregation.

We have been exceedingly indebted to the brotherly kindness of the Rev. Stephen Elliott, temporarily residing in Camden, for aid in conducting services, and in preaching; and also for taking charge of the parish for two months during the summer.

The growth of grace in this Congregation, though slow, is, we trust, perceptible and sure. The sad afflictions of war, here and elsewhere, have not been without spiritual results, in sobering and chastening the minds of all, and deepening the piety of some; in causing both private and public prayer to become more frequent and fervent and in intensifying and making more practical the sense of the Being the Righteousness, the Power, and the Providence of God.

St. Mark's, Clarendon, Mission to Negroes.

The Rev. Zenophon Y. Anderson, Missionary.

Since my last annual report to the Convention of this Diocese, I have been acting as Missionary among the Negroes, in connection

with the Church at the above mentioned place. During this time, I have held service and preached 129 times; Baptized 30 children; and prepared one adult for Confirmation. Two others have expressed the desire to prepare for its reception. There are now 42 colored Communicants, two deceased, and one having been expelled.—Deaths, children 7; adults, 9; total, 16.

There are under my charge ten plantations. On these I have been officiating, as the Church has been closed, it being deemed advisable at the present time, that religious services for Negroes should be held only on the several plantations to which they respectively belong, under the superintendence of both master and overseer.

This arrangement has required the attention, on four of these places, of the Missionary every Sabbath; (being entirely under the supervision of the Church) two, each alternate Sabbath; one in the morning and the other in the afternoon. I have visited during the week, three other places, of the character above referred to, and held services once in every two weeks.

The remaining three plantations being almost entirely members of the Methodist Church, and having opportunities to attend it, though visited within the same period of time, I have endeavored nothing more than the fulfilment of my obligations to their masters (being Episcopalians) as Catechist. I use Mr. Charles C. Jones' Catechism.

Christ Church, Greenville.

The Rev. Thomas S. Arthur, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 2 white; children, 20; total, 22. Marriages, 1 white; 1 colored; total, 2. Burials, 23 white; 1 colored; total 24. Communicants, last reported, 86 white, 5 colored, total 91; admitted, 8 white, 2 colored, total, 10; removed, 1 white, 1 colored, total, 2; died, 3 white, 2 colored, total, 5; present number, 90 white; 4 colored; total, 94. Congregation—Non-communicants, 110 white; 25 colored; total, 135. Children under 14, 91 white; 13 colored; total, 104. Families, 59 white; 4 colored; total, 63; families belonging also to other Congregations of the P. E. Church, 4 white. Children catechised on 6 days, 39 white; 13 colored; total, 52. Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 9 white; Scholars, 38 white. Subjects of Instruction, Church Catechism; Catechisms, No. 2 and 3; Collects, Epistles and Gospels for the day. Public worship—Christ Church, 51 Sundays; 73 other days; whole number of times, 172. Contributions—Communion alms, \$268.20; Missions, Diocesan, \$25; Domestic, 61.50; other Church purposes, \$45; total, 419.70.

REMARKS.—In addition to the foregoing report, there are in the Parish—*Refuges*, 37 families, and 62 Communicants.

I am indebted for important services, to the Rev. J. B. Campbell, Rev. William T. Potter, and the Rev. John H. Elliott. The first named brother has preached 14 times, performed 4 funerals, and otherwise assisted me several times.

St. Jude's Church, Walterboro'

The Rev. Edmund E. Bellinger, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 2 colored; children, 11 white; 11 colored; total, 24. Marriages, 2 white; 2 colored; total, 4. Burials, 19 white; 19 colored; total, 38. Communicants, last reported, 52 white; 25 colored; total, 77; admitted, 19 white; 5 colored; total, 24; removed, 1; died 3 white; 1 col'd; total, 4; present number, 67 white; suspended 1 colored; total, 96. Congregation—Non-communicants, 62 white; col'd unknown; Children under 14, 85 white; colored unknown; Families, 44 white; colored unknown; families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 10 white. Children catechised on 11 Sundays. Sunday Schools, Teachers, 9 white; Scholars, 45 white. Subjects of instruction, Church Catechism, Prayer Book Hymns, and Help to the Gospel. Public worship, at St. Jude's, for whites, 50 Sundays; 57 other days; total, 156; number of times preached, 140; St. Jude's for colored, 23 other days; total, 50 Sundays, 80 other days; total, 179; whole number of times preached, 163. Contributions, Communion alms, \$169.55; Missions, Diocesan, \$176; Domestic, \$176; Foreign, \$176; other Church purposes, \$102; total \$799.55.

REMARKS.—In addition to the services in St. Jude's Church, I assisted the Union-Prayer-Meetings on 44 days, preaching 18 times. In St. Michael's Church, Charleston, I preached once on a Sunday, also in St. Paul's. In Grace Church, Charleston, I preached once on a week-day. During the year I officiated on 51 Sundays, 112 other days, in all 224 times, preaching 182 times. The Bishop of Georgia preached for me on one Sunday, 2 times. The Rev. Mr. Prentiss assisted me on 12 Sundays, and 1 other day, in all 16 times, preaching 11 times.

Of the Communicants reported, 15 whites and 2 colored are refugees from St. Helena Church, Beaufort, and 2 whites and 1 colored from Grace Church Charleston. Of the families, 9 are refugees from Beaufort and 1 from Charleston.

The report of the Sunday School includes all that attended during the year. The average number was 2 teachers and 20 scholars. The greatest number present at one time, was 7 teachers and 35 scholars; the least number 0 teacher, 15 scholars.

In addition to the contributions reported, \$80 were collected for the Soldiers in Virginia, and \$110, for the Episcopal Female Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society, and Rev. Mr. Farrow, making the whole amount of contributions, \$989.55.

The services reported for the colored people, were exclusively for them. They also had the opportunity to attending the services for the whites.

St. David's, Cheraw.

The Rev. R. Templeman Brown, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white; children, 6 white; 1 colored; total 8; Marriages, 3* white; 3 colored; total, 6. Burials, 4 white; 3 colored;

total, 7. Communicants, last reported, 43 white; 7 colored; total, 50; admitted, 12 white; withdrew, 1 white; died, 1 white; present number, 60† white; 7 colored; total, 67. Congregation—Non-communicants, 30 white; Children under 14, 50 white; Families, 30 white; families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 14 white. Children catechised on 12 Sundays, 28 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 15 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 8 white; Scholars, 45 white; 27 colored; total, 72. One Parish School taught by young ladies of the Congregation. Public worship, at St. David's, 50 Sundays; 36 other days. Grace Chapel, was served during summer and autumn by Rev. J. M. Green of Charleston. Contributions—Communion alms, \$158.83. Thanksgiving offering for Hospitals, \$59. Sunday School Library, \$30. Other Church purposes, \$27. Total, \$274.83.

* One Marriage performed by Rev. J. H. Quinby, in the Rector's absence.

† To these add 24 refugee Communicants.

REMARKS.—I officiated one Sunday in Emmanuel Church, Wadesboro', N. C.; administered Communion, and baptized one white infant. Two Sundays in Bennettsville, Marlborough district, where a favorable opening is presented for building up a Congregation and Church. Three Sundays in Grace Chapel; one at Mar's Bluff, and one at Society Hill. St. David's was served during my absence by the Rev. J. M. Green and Rev. J. H. Quinby.

The Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell.

To the Right Rev. Thomas F. Davis, D. D.

Rev. and Dear Sir,—Since my last official report, I have preached 18 times; performed 2 funeral services over white persons, and assisted at the third; read Morning Prayer seven times, the Ante-Communion six times; Evening Prayer three times; and assisted once in the Communion of the Lord's Supper.

St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.

THE Rev. Andrew H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 3 white; 2 colored; total, 5. Marriages, 1 colored. Burials, 11 white; 3 colored; total, 14. Communicants, last reported, 49 white; 19 colored; total, 68; admitted, 5 white; 1 colored; total, 6; removed, 11 colored; withdrew, 1 white; died, 2 white; present number, 51 white; 9 colored; total, 60. Congregation—Non-communicants, 37 white; colored not known. Children under 14, 59; colored not known. Families, 35 white; families belonging to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 16 white; refugees not included in the 35. Children catechised on several days, 25 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 6 white; Scholars, 25 white. Subjects of instruction, Church Catechism, Nos. 1 and 2; Hymns, Collects, &c. In Bible Class, Questions on St. Matthew. Public worship, at St. Paul's, 52 Sundays; 56 other days; at

Keowee, 1 Sunday; Windbury, 2 Sundays; whole number of times, 136. Contributions, Communion alms, \$172.65; Missions, Diocesan, \$60; Domestic, \$7.20; Female, Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society, \$55.25. Total, \$326.10.

St. Thaddæus' Church, Aiken.

The Rev. John H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 3 white; children, 6 white; total, 9. Marriages, 1 white; 1 colored; total 2. Burials, 12 white; 1 colored; total, 13. Communicants, last reported 61 white; admitted, 15 white; removed 4 white; died, 6 white; present number 66 white. Children catechised on 10 days, 25 white. Confirmed by the Bishop 16 white.—Sunday School, Teachers, 8 white; Scholars, 30 white; 20 colored; total, 50. St. Thaddæus, 50 Sundays; other days, 57; whole number of times, 154. Holy Apostles, Barnwell, 2 times on 1 Sunday. Contributions, Communion alms, \$244.71; Missions, Advancement Society, \$40; Domestic, \$114.26; Sick and wounded Soldiers in So. Ca. Hospitals in Virginia, \$92.60; Female Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society of Charleston, \$11; other Church purposes, \$22.15. Total, \$524.72.

REMARKS,—The Lord's Supper has been administered in St. Thaddæus Church, 13 times, in private 4 times; total 17 times. A large number of persons driven from their homes on the sea-board have sought a temporary refuge in Aiken for their families, while they are in the field exposing themselves to the enemies of our country—the cruel invaders of their hearths and polluters of their altars. The increased amount of alms, and offerings for pious purposes now reported is some indication of their thankfulness and gratitude to God for the privileges of his Church—the Church of their vows and their affections which their families are here permitted to enjoy.

St. Bartholomew's Parish, & Church of the Ascension, Combahee.

The Rev. Stephen Elliott, Rector.

No services have been held in these Parishes during the past year. Both Pastor and people (to a great extent) have been forced to remove from their homes by reason of the presence of the enemy.

Residing in Camden for the past summer, I have frequently aided the Rector of the Parish, and during his absence for three months, officiated thirty times at Grace Church.

In the month of November, I accepted the offer of General W. S. Walker to become the Chaplain of his military district, at Pocotaligo, and have since been engaged in this difficult, but interesting field of labour. May the God of all grace send his blessing upon those battling for their dearest rights, and cause them to hear amidst the solemn scenes of the contest, "the still small voice of saving grace."

Grace Church, Anderson C. H.

The Rev. John H. Elliott, Minister.

Baptisms—children, 1 white. Burials, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Communicants, present number, 63 white; 5 colored; total 68. Congregation—Non-communicants, 23 white; 1 colored; total 24; Children under 14, 65 white; 3 colored; total, 68; Families, 35 white; 1 colored; total, 36; families belonging also to other Congregations of the P. E. Church, 26 white; 2 colored; total, 28. Sunday School, Teachers, 7 white; Scholars, 30 white. Public worship, at Grace Church 6 Sundays; 3 other days; total, 13 times. Communion alms, \$3.85.

REMARKS.—The above report dates back only to the 1st of January; at which time I took charge of the Parish. During the two months immediately succeeding the last meeting of the Convention, I officiated at Christ Church, Wilton. During the remainder of the year, when without charge I preached frequently at Aiken, Greenville, Camden, and at Flat Rock and Asheville, N. C.

Christ Church Parish.

The Rev. J. R. Fell.

I have performed the following services in this field, viz: officiated at the Parish Church 15 Sundays, and on plantations 13; total 28.—Baptisms—11 children, white; colored, 12; total, 23. Marriages, 3 white. Burials, adults, 4 white; colored, 1; total, 5; children, 3 white; colored 3; total, 6.

REMARKS.—I have not renewed my services this winter among other reasons, for the want of a horse. The Parish is in a declining condition, and will continue so, until the Vestry become more earnest, and the people more sensible of their imperative obligations. The particular attention and fostering care of the Bishop may well be invoked in its behalf.

The Rev. G. W. E. Fisse, Deacon.

The undersigned respectfully reports to the Bishop, that since the last Convention, he has officiated regularly every Sunday, except one, principally for the brethren in Charleston; frequently saying, or assisting in saying, both Morning and Evening Prayer, and preaching twice; and occasionally saying prayers during the week. He also attended one of the Confederate Hospitals officially; and, as volunteer nurse, gave his assistance two nights in the week, until, warned by a somewhat serious indisposition, and by the advice of his friends, he thought it prudent to desist from this labour.

He has Baptized, 2 white and 1 colored infants; solemnized 3 colored Marriages; and said the Burial service over 9 white, 1 colored. All of which, except the Burial service over 8 Soldiers, will be found embraced in Parochial reports.

Charleston, Feb. 10th, 1863.

St. Paul's, Stono, and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.

The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Rector.

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1862.

Baptisms—Children, 17 white; colored 6; total, 23. Marriages, 1 white; 1 colored; total, 2. Burials, 10 white; 3 colored; total, 13. Communicants, present number 70 to 80 white; 2 colored. Congregation—Non-communicants, 30 white; children under 14, 50 white; families, 40 to 50 white. Children catechised, usually on the 2d Sundays of the month in summer, 12 to 14 white. Sunday Schools, Teachers, 4 white; 2 colored; Scholars, 15 white; 20 colored. Public worship, St. Paul's, whole number of times, 125. Contributions—Communion alms, \$189.91; Missions, Diocesan, Advancement Society, \$30; Domestic, \$30. Total, \$249.91.

St. Luke's Church, Charleston.

The Rev. Christopher P. Gadsden, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 13 white; 11 colored; total, 24. Marriages, 4 white; 6 colored; total, 10. Burials, 18 white; 5 colored; total, 23. Communicants, last reported, 114 white; 40 colored; total, 154; admitted 18 white; 19 colored; total, 37; removed 9 white; died 7 white; suspended 1 colored; present number, 126 white; 63 colored; total, 189. Congregation—Families, 71 white; 21 colored; total, 92. Sunday School, Teachers, 11 white; Scholars, 111 white; 70 colored; total, 181. Subjects of instruction, Church Catechism, Union Bible Questions, Collects, Hymns, Watts Hymns and Catechism. Public worship at St. Luke's, 46 Sundays; 54 other days; whole number of times 146. Contributions—Communion alms, \$326.99; Missions, Domestic, \$50; Foreign, \$91; other Church purposes, \$330; Sick Soldiers, \$250. Total, 1047.99.

REMARKS.—St. Luke's Church was consecrated by Bishop Davis, on Saturday, 15th February 1862. A number of my brethren of the Clergy were present and took part in this interesting service. We would express our devout gratitude to God for enabling us in these troublous times to build a sanctuary and devote it to his worship. May the Gospel of his grace be ever proclaimed within its walls to the glory of His great name and the salvation of immortal souls.

A prayer meeting has been held for the colored members every Monday evening, and I am happy to state, that the attendance has been very encouraging.

All Saint's Parish, Waccamaw.

The Rev. Alexander Glennie, Rector.

Mr. D. D. Rosa, Catechist.

Baptisms—Children, 4 white. Burials, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Communicants, last reported, 31 white; 237 colored; total, 268; removed 2 white; died, 1 white; present number, 28 white. Congre-

gation—Non-communicants, 28 white; children under 14, 51 white; Families, 25 white; families also belonging to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 2 white. Children catechised, 511 colored, 48 times.—Public worship, at Parish Church, 7 Sundays, 10 other days, total 17 times; Southern Church, 3 Sundays; St. John's Church, 5 Sundays; In Camps, 4 Sundays; total, 19 Sundays; 10 other days; whole number of times, 29.

Services for negroes on plantations, 44 times.

REMARKS.—Towards the end of May I left the Parish, and, on the invitation of the Vestry of Prince Frederick's Parish, Peedee, have been residing at Plantersville; occasionally visiting the few families that remain in All Saints; and holding divine service in St. John's Church.

The report is incomplete, as the Parish Register and other books have been carried into the interior for safe keeping.

As most of the negroes have been moved away from the coast, I can make no entry respecting colored Communicants.

Mr. Rosa has remained in the Parish, acting as Catechist and Lay-Reader for those of Mr. Weston's negroes who have not been removed.

Report of Prince Frederick's, Peedee.

Plantersville, from May 25th 1862, to Feb. 11th 1863.

Rev. Alex. Glennie, officiating.

Baptisms—Children, 2 white; 5 colored; total, 7. Marriage, 1 colored. Burials, 2 white. Children catechised, 26 white, 28 times; 174 colored, 97 times. Divine service, 32 Sundays, 28 other days.—On Plantations at Plantersville for the negroes, 62 times; in Camp, once. Communion alms, \$64.99; collected for Female Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society, \$26.

Christ Church, Charleston.

The Rev. J. Merceir Green, Rector.

Baptisms—Children 1 white. Marriages, 1 white; 2 colored; total, 3. Burials, 2 white. Communicants, last reported 22 white; died 1; present number, 21 white. Congregation, fluctuating. Sunday Schools, Teachers, 5 white; Scholars, 39 white. Subjects of instruction, the Church Catechism, and other Catechisms. Public worship, at Christ Church, 19 Sundays; 4 other days; whole number of times, 40. Contributions—Communion alms, \$40.16; other Church purposes, \$34.75; total, 74.91.

REMARKS.—This Church has been closed since the 1st of June; the Board of Trustees of the Advancement Society having withdrawn their usual annual appropriation for the support of the Mission, on account of the pecuniary pressure which the times have occasioned. Up to the time of closing the Church, there was a very good attendance, and I had every reason to feel satisfied of the strong attachment of the regular worshippers. Besides the ordinary Congregation, there

were also a number of Soldiers every Sunday present at our services, 18 of whom I have since learned have fallen in the defence of their country. No disaster could have tended more to the entire breaking up of this Congregation, than the withdrawal of its *only* support.—Most of the Sunday School Scholars have been gathered into other schools, and the Congregation dispersed and discouraged.—I have since learned that they are very anxious that our services should be renewed, but as long as the means are withheld it will be utterly impossible for me to recommence my labours among them.

Since the 1st of June I have been engaged in Missionary work under the direction of the Bishop, at a Chapel, between Cheraw and Society Hill, and at Bennettsville; these services were much interrupted by a severe attack of chill and fever, which came upon me about the first of October, and continued the whole winter. My Rev. brother, the Rector of St. David's, Cheraw, however, kindly supplied my lack of service, so that the Mission itself has suffered no detriment. At the Chapel I officiated every Sunday afternoon during the summer months; and every other Sunday afternoon after the first of October, except when prevented by an attack of fever. In the morning I generally assisted my Rev. brother of St. David's: while engaged in this work, I baptised 2 white children, buried 2, and married 1 colored couple.

Being compelled, by unavoidable circumstances, to abandon these temporary fields of labour, I left the Bennettsville Mission under the care of the Rev. Mr. Brown, of Cheraw, and the Chapel under the joint care of the Rev. Messrs. Brown and Kidney of Society Hill (through whose efforts the Chapel was erected), and returned to Charleston, where I have remained up to the present time, without a charge, assisting such of my brethren of the city as needed assistance, and awaiting the intimation of Providence. I also held the funeral service over the remains of an inmate of the Orphan House, at the Orphan's Chapel, and addressed the children.

Zion Church, Richland.

The Rev. LeGrand F. Guerry, (Deacon) Minister.

Baptisms—Children, 1 white; 6 colored; total, 7. Burials, 3 white. Communicants, 10 white; colored unknown. Number of Families, 11 white; families belonging also to other Congregations of the P. E. Church, 6 white. Communion alms left in my hands, \$1.50. Services held since the 27th July 1862, 38; on Plantations, 34; total, 72.

REMARKS.—The colored children on three Plantations, are catechised by the Minister every week. I think the Parish is in an encouraging condition; and that through the blessing of God much good may be done, and many souls brought to the Lord Jesus Christ.

St. John's Church, Richland.

The Rev. William H. Hanckel, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white; children, 4 colored; total, 5. Burials, 5 white. Communicants, last reported, 20 white; 1 colored; total, 21

white; admitted, 2 white; died 1 white; present number, 21 white; 1 colored; total, 22. Congregation—Non-communicants, 15 white; Children under 14, 30 white; Families, 14 white; families belonging also to other Congregations of the P. E. Church, 3 white. Sunday School. Teachers and Scholars very irregular. Public worship, at St. John's Church, 50 Sundays, 4 other days; whole number of times, 70. Contributions—Communion alms, \$71.50; Missions, Domestic, \$5; Foreign, 5; other charitable purposes, \$39; total, \$120.

St. Mark's, Clarendon.

The Rev. B. E. Habersham, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 colored; children, 2 white; 3 colored; total 6; Marriages, 1 colored. Burials, 2 white; 1 colored; total 3. Communicants, last reported, 30 white; 10 colored; admitted 6 white; removed 2 white; died 1 white; present number, 33 white; colored, 10; total, 43. Congregation—Non-communicants, 25 white; children under 14, 30 white. Families, 15 white; families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 3 white. Public worship, 45 Sundays; 28 other days; whole number of services with preaching, 107 times. Communion alms, \$258.09.

REMARKS.—About \$400 Contributions has been raised in this Parish the past year for various charitable purposes, (including Communion alms.) Of this amount \$30 has been applied to Domestic Missions, and \$25 to the Advancement Society, and about \$300 to the relief of the Soldiers in service.

The children of the Congregation receive instruction during the summer before Morning service. The afternoon of the Lord's day is devoted to the colored people, for whom services are held in the Church and at two Plantations sufficiently adjacent.

St. Philip's Charleston.

The Rev. W. B. W. Howe, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 15 white; 3 colored; total, 18. Marriages, 1 white; 2 colored; total, 3. Burials, 29 white; 14 colored; total 43. Children catechised on several Sundays. Confirmed by the Bishop, 9. Public Worship, at St. Philip's 52 Sundays; 86 other days; whole number of times 190.

REMARKS.—The above report is necessarily imperfect owing to the circumstances which have made far the greater portion of this Congregation absentees from the city. The amount of Contributions to various purposes has also been omitted, inasmuch as the books, which record them are not now at hand.

In addition to its full share of sorrow and bereavment arising from the war, it has pleased God to visit this Congregation with the sore trial of the removal by death of our loved late Rector. We miss him at every turn, and to human eyes his loss is irreparable. May God be with those who shall minister in his room. We cherish his memory

in the deep places of our hearts; and his purity and loveliness of walk and conversation will look down upon us from the past like stars.

Prince George, Winyaw.

The Rev. R. T. Howard, Rector.

Owing to the disturbed state of the country, the Congregation has been scattered for more than a year. I have no report to make, on account of the Church books, having been removed to a place of safety, at a distance from the parish.

Prince Frederick's Chapel, Peedee.

The Rev. Joseph Hunter, Rector.

My resignation of this Parish having taken effect on the 1st of May 1862, I would report my services from the time of my last report up to this date.

The number of Communicants and Families the same as last reported. Baptised 5 colored children. Public worship, Sundays, 9 times; other days, 8 times. Services on Plantations, 12 times. Catechised on Plantations, 4 times.

Contributions—Communion alms, \$15.30. Education of Theological Student, \$60. Publishing Tracts for Soldiers, \$10. Other purposes, \$10. Total, \$95.30.

REMARKS.—During the month of May and June, by the request of the Rev. Mr. McCollough I supplied the services in Spartanburg and Union during his absence as Chaplain in the army.

With the consent of my own Bishop and the request of the Bishop of North Carolina, I have, since the 1st of October last, been supplying the Church in Rutherfordtown, N. C.

St. John's and St. Stephen's, Fairfield.

The Rev. J Theodore Hutcheson, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 2 white; 3 colored; total, 5. Children, 6 white; 4 colored; total 15. Burials, 8 white. Communicants, last reported 39 white; 19 colored; total, 58; admitted 2 white, 5 colored; total, 7; removed, 1 white; died, 2 white; present number, 62. Congregation, Non-communicants, number uncertain; Children under 14, about 40 white; Families, 20 white; families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 20 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 7 white; 4 colored; total, 11. Sunday School, Teachers, 5 white; Scholars, 30 white. Contributions—Communion Alms, \$143.35; Missions, Diocesan, 30; Domestic, \$50; Foreign, 30, from Communion alms; other Church purposes, \$16. Total, \$239.35.

REMARKS.—I have not separated the Communicants from the refugees. They would more than double the number given. The Congregations, during the past year, have been quite large, the Church being sometimes crowded.

The Bishop of this Diocese made a visitation to the Parishes of St. John's and St. Stephen's last August. He preached on several occasions, and confirmed eleven persons, 7 white and 4 colored.

St. James' Parish, Santee.

The Rev. N. Hyatt, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 colored ; children 55 colored ; total 56. Burials, 4 white ; 5 colored ; total, 9. Communicants, last reported, 31 white ; 484 colored ; total, 515 ; died 12 colored ; present number, 31 white, about 300 colored. Congregation—Non-communicants, 60 white ; Children under 14, 56 white ; Families, 35 white ; families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 11 white. Public worship, Wambaw Church, 13 Sundays ; River Chapel, 10 Sundays, and 2 other days ; Sea-shore Chapel, 23 Sundays ; whole number of times, 74. Service on Plantations, 26 times. Communion alms, \$16.

REMARKS.—This Parish has suffered severely from the war. About 600 negroes have gone off to the enemy. Many others have been removed. The most of the families are absent. The future prosperity of the Parish is uncertain.

Report of the Rev. P. G. Jenkins, Missionary.

Though driven from my own field of labour by the exigencies of the war, I am happy to report to you that I am not altogether idle in the Lord's vinyard.

Since the Council of 1862 I have passed three months as a private Soldier in an Artillery Company ; during that time I held a regular Sunday service, and kept up in my tent, a daily Evening service for my fellow soldiers—these services were very well attended. Since July I have been residing in the principal Confederate Hospital at Columbia ; spending much of my time at the bed-side of the sick, and dying soldier. I also hold a daily service for the convalescents, either in the Chapel, or in one of the wards of the hospital.

I have Baptized two Soldiers. I have assisted different brethren six times in the Communion service, read service 12 times, and preached 13 times. I have distributed hundreds of Testaments, Tracts and Prayer Books.

Calvary Church, Glenn Springs.

The Rev. Clement F. Jones, D. D. Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 4 white ; children, 2 white ; total, 6 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 24 white ; admitted, 4 white ; removed 1 ; withdrew 1 ; died 1 ; present number, 25 white. Congregation, Families, 9 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 8 white. Public worship, 66 times. Communion alms, \$10.35.

Pineville and Upper St. John's.

The Rev. R. P. Johnson, Rector.

The Rev. W. W. Patrick, Missionary.

Baptisms—Adults, 11 colored; children, 7 white; 91 colored; total 109. Marriages, 2 white; 2 colored; total, 4. Burials, 8 white, 6 colored; total, 14. Communicants, last reported, 55 white; 334 colored; total, 389; admitted 9 white; 10 colored; total, 19; removed 5 white, 1 colored; total, 6; died 3 white; 3 colored; total, 6; suspended, 3 colored; present number, 56 white; 337 colored; total 393. Congregation—Non-communicants, 41 white; children under 14, 63 white; Families 35 white; families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 2 white. Children catechised on 164 days.—Confirmed by the Bishop, 10 white; 12 colored; total 22. Sunday Schools, Teachers 3 white; 3 colored; Scholars, 15 white; 30 colored; total, 45. Public worship, St. Stephen's Church, 25 Sundays; 29 other days; total 62 times. Church of the Epiphany, 13 Sundays; 2 other days; total 15 times. Eutawville Chapel, 11 Sundays; 1 other day; total 23 times; whole number of times, 100. Contributions, Communion alms, \$133.45; Missions, Diocesan, \$110; Domestic, 118; other church purposes, \$1. Total, 361.45.

REMARKS.—Services have been also held on Plantations on Sundays and other days, in all 207 times.

The Rev. LeGrand F. Guerry left the Parish early in May, and the Rev. W. W. Patrick, entered upon his duties as Missionary, July 8th.

One of the persons Confirmed was from another Parish.

Trinity Church, Abbeville.

The Rev. B. Johnson, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult, 1 colored; 4 white infants, 7 colored; total, 13. Burials, 9 white; 2 colored; total, 11. Marriages, 1 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 8 white. Present number Communicants, 63 white; Non-communicants, about 35 or 40; children under 14, 60. Families belonging to Trinity Church 32; belonging to other Episcopal churches 17, making the number of Communicants for past year in all 99. Sunday Scholars about 25 white; Teachers 4. Subjects of instruction, Church Catechism, Bishop Burgess on do., Pringle's Catechism on the Creed, &c. Preached in Abbeville 125 times, elsewhere 9; total, 134. Communion has been administered in Abbeville 12 times, at Willington once. Alms, \$126.80. Thanksgiving, collection \$81; other purposes about \$300. Minister's Salary \$550.

REMARKS.—This Congregation has suffered severely during the memorable year which has closed—largely and honorably represented in the war, its loss in the death of Col. J. Foster Marshall and Lt. Col. Smith is irreparable. Col. Marshall had been for eight years the zealous and liberal Chairman of our Vestry, and for the last year, one of our most devout Communicants—with his large-hearted benevolence, and lofty conceptions of christian duty, it is difficult to calculate what

he might have accomplished for the Church in the future. As his knowledge of Christ increased and his experience of his grace, he seemed to be inquiring with *deeper* earnestness "Lord! what wilt thou have me to do?" And whatever his hands found to do, that, with his characteristic energy, "he did with all his might." His liberal bequests to the Church he loved and served so well; and to the Theological Seminary, indicate the ruling purpose of his heart, (had God prolonged his life,) "to devote his time and means to his service." To his minister, the death of such a layman, is a most *severe bereavement*. Few appreciated so well the delicate responsibilities of the ministerial office, or entered so *heartily* into sympathy with its *spiritual* work and duty. He fell gloriously battling for our beloved country on the 29th August, at Manassas. His distinguished gallantry, and his boundless charities, will long preserve his name in honorable and grateful remembrance. It is a most interesting fact, that his death has been blessed to the conversion of two of his sons—who have since professed religion. Col. A. M. Smith, though not a Communicant, was an earnest and liberal supporter of the Church. A high-toned gentleman, gentle generous and brave, long will his death be lamented.

The Ladies of the Congregation have established an Episcopal Cemetery in connection with this Church. This movement is important as tending to consolidate the Congregation for all future time.

The Rector accompanied the Bishop on a visit to Willington where several services were held and an interesting class of 8 young men and 1 young lady Confirmed by him. There are several members of the Church resident there not included in the above report, and quite a number of colored members under the zealous and faithful direction of Mr. O. T. Porcher. Arrangements have been made for stated visits to this Missionary field during the coming year.

Trinity Church, Society Hill.

The Rev. John Steinfert Kidney, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 5 white, 1 colored; total 6. Burials, 2 white—Communicants, 17 white, 7 colored; total 24; admitted, 2 white; removed, 1; present number, 19 white, 6 colored; total 25. Congregation, Non-communicants, 14 white, 3 colored; 17. Children under 14, 30 white, 3 colored; total 33. Families, 15 white, 2 colored; total 17. Families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church 9 whites. Children Catechised monthly on Sundays, 21 white. Public Worship Trinity Church, Society Hill, 52 Sundays, other days, 10; whole number of times 114. Contributions, Communion alms, \$111.35. Missions, Diocesan, \$95.15. Missions, Domestic, \$34.40. Female Bible and Tract Society, \$44; total, \$284.90.

REMARKS.—Besides the above, I have officiated, once, by appointment, at Grace Chapel, of St. David's Cheraw. Since which a very good congregation has been supplied with regular services by a refugee clergymen, residing in Cheraw.

The Epiphany, Laurens.

The Rev. Lucien C. Lance, Minister.

Baptisms—Children, 1 white. Communicants, removed 2 white. Present number, 13 white. Congregation, Non-communicants, 8 white. Children under 14, 10 white. Families, 7 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 4 white. Children Catechised on 5 Sundays, 13 white. Sunday Schools, number of Teachers, 2 white; number of Scholars, 13 white. Public Worship, Epiphany, 13 Sundays, 2 other days, whole number of times 28. Contributions, Communion alms, \$24 Missions, Domestic, \$8.65.

REMARKS.—Several of the families composing the Congregation at present, are refugees from the low country.

Report of St. Luke's Church, Newberry.

The Rev. Lucien C. Lance, Minister.

Baptisms—Children, 3 white. Burials, 1 white child. Communicants, 25 white. Non-communicants, 5 white. Children under 14, 17 white. Families, 12 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations of the P. E. Church, 7 white. Children Catechised on 3 days, 8 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white. Number of Teachers of Sunday school 3 white; number of scholars, 8 white. Subjects of instruction, Church Catechism, Hymns, Collect, &c. Public worship at St. Luke's Church, 20 times on 10 Sundays; at the Hotel 3 times on 2 Sundays, and 3 other days. Communion alms, \$37.45; other Church purposes, \$15.

REMARKS.—A great part of the Congregation, at present, is composed of refugees from the low country.

Report of Rev. C. E. Leverett.

Being without any charge, my report is necessarily a meager one. In the early part of the year, I preached for several Sundays, at different hospitals, and also had for several weeks, daily prayers at the same places. Funeral services for a number of Soldiers were also performed. In the absence of Mr. Reed, and at the request of the Presbyterians in McPhersonville, I officiated twice in their church. At Columbia, to which place in April, I removed, as a temporary residence, I have preached for the Rev. Mr. Shand, three Sundays and on Fast-day; also several times for the Rev. Mr. Pringle. I have also frequently assisted the latter. At the request of the Principal of the Barhamville Academy, I have officiated on two different Sundays at that Institution.

By an arrangement with Rev. Mr. McCollough, I have visited Spartanburg or Union, once a month, from August to January, for Sabbath services. I have also opened the Church at Chester, on two Sundays in November and December.

Apart from Sunday afternoon instructions, at home in the country for my family and negroes, and attendance at the sick and dying-beds

of some refugees, I have no ministerial duties, beyond the few recounted, to name in this report.

St. Andrew's Chapel, Mount Pleasant.

The Rev. David McElheran, Minister.

Baptisms—Children, 2 white. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 2 white. Communicants, present number, 15 white; 3 colored; total, 18.

REMARKS.—Through the kind Providence of God I have been enabled to have Divine service in this Chapel, once on every Sabbath throughout the year, except when the weather was very inclement.—The number of Communicants varies very much, from 6 to 30 or more; many are passing visitors here; several of the Soldiers, stationed here, and in the vicinity, are constant attendants.

It is impossible to make any calculations with regard to the Non-communicants. From the dispersion of the families, the Sunday School is discontinued. I have collected, at different times, during the past year, \$56 and forwarded it to Richmond for the relief of the Soldiers wounded in battle, and have had 6 dozen pair of socks knit for the same purpose; the woollen yarn being furnished by the Quartermaster.

Christ Church, Mar's Bluff.

The Rev. Augustus Moore, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 3 white, 1 colored; total 4. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 10 white, 11 colored; total 21. Present number, 10 white, 11 colored; total 21. Public Worship, Christ Church, Mar's Bluff, 51 Sundays, other days 6; total 54. Contributions, \$34.04.

REMARKS.—There are 10 Communicants of the families who are temporarily residing in the Parish.

St. John's Chapel, Hampstead.

The Rev. Alexander W. Marshall, Minister.

Baptisms—Adults, 8 white, 9 colored; total, 17. Children, 50 white, 55 colored 105; whole number, 122. Marriages, 8 white, 5 colored; total, 13. Burials, 52 white, 28 colored; total, 80. Communicants, last reported, 90 white, 49 colored; total, 139. Admitted, 3 white, 8 colored; total, 11. Removed, 8 white, 14 colored; total, 22. Died, 5. Present number, 80 white, 43 colored; total, 123. Children catechised eleven Sundays. Confirmed by the Bishop, 10 white, 3 colored; total, 13. Sunday Schools, Teachers, 5 white; Scholars, 42; colored 16; total, 58. Public worship, St. John's Chapel, 52 Sundays; 78 other days; whole number of times 186. City Alms House, 47 other days. Contributions, Communion alms, \$130.15; other Church purposes, \$68.

REMARKS.—The number of Sunday Scholars has been much reduced by the temporary removal of many from the city, and of those who remained, some have been prevented from attending by the want of shoes and clothing.

Church of the Advent Spartanburg.

The Rev. J. D. McCollough, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 2 white. Burials. 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 22 white; 1 colored; removed, 2 white; 1 colored; died, 1 white; present number, 19 white. Non-communicants, 9 white; 3 colored; total, 12. Children under 14, 13 white; 4 colored; total, 17. Families, 10 white, besides many who belong to other Congregations, being refugees from the coast. These families have added largely to the number of Communicants, but as their sojourn is only temporary, no accurate account of them has been taken. The present number is believed to be about 30. The Sunday School is at present suspended, we trust soon to be renewed with renewed vigour. Public worship, Church of the Advent, 31 Sundays; 3 other days; whole number of times, 64. Holy Communion administered, 10 times; and once in private. Communion alms, \$150.02; for Missions, \$55.00; other Church purposes, \$175; total, \$380.02. *

REMARKS.—A part of the services reported, have been performed by the brethren of the Clergy; an arrangement having been made for a portion of the year, to have public worship on every Lord's day.—This was rendered peculiarly desirable in consequence of the large influx of members of our communion.

Church of the Nativity, Unionville.

Rev. J. D. McCollough, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 2 white; colored 9; total, 11. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, last reported 9 white; admitted, 6 white; removed into the parish, 6 white; present number 21 white. Congregation—Non-communicants, 7 white; children under 14, 31 white; 12 colored; total, 43; families 12; families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 2. Children catechised, 8 days. Confirmed by the Bishop 7. Sunday Schools, Teachers, 7 white; Scholars, 18 white. Subjects of instruction, Church Catechism, Bible, Hymns, Collects, &c. Public worship, Church of Nativity, 22 Sundays; 38 other days; whole number of times, 84. Holy Communion administered 12 times. Communion alms, \$76.68. For Hospitals, \$25.80; Sunday School Library, \$2.90; other Church purposes, \$120. Total, \$225.38.

REMARKS.—I was in Camp, as Chaplain of the Holcombe Legion S. C. V until the 1st of June, and this report, as well as that for the Church of the Advent, dates from the 1st of May. The Rev. Mr. Hunter having officiated in my stead during that month.

Public worship in Camp, on 12 Sundays, and 2 other days; whole number of times, 20. Also, in Christ Church, Wilton, for Rev. Mr. Eliott, on 4 Sundays, and 1 other day; 5 times.

St. John's Berkley.

The Rev. A. F. Olmsted, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 39 colored ; children, 4 white ; 45 colored ; total, 49 ; whole number, 88. Burials, 10 white. Communicants, 34 white ; and, as last reported, 271 colored ; total, 310. Congregation—Non-communicants, 30 white ; Families, 23 white. Contributions—Communion alms, \$204.40 ; other objects, \$196.48 ; total, \$373.88. Public worship, at Biggin, Strawberry, Cordesville, The Barrows, and on Plantations, 46 Sundays, 24 other days, whole number of times, 106.

REMARKS.—The colored communicants are given as last reported, as it was impossible to obtain full and accurate returns for the present report. I hope to embody them in my next. Sunday Schools are kept up during the summer, at the Barrows and Cordesville.

St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.

The Rev. Henry L. Phillips, Minister.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white, children, 12 white ; colored 2 ; total, 16. Marriages, 3 white ; 5 colored ; total, 8. Burials, 10 white ; colored, 1 ; total, 11. Children catechised every Sunday on the Testament, and once a fortnight on Church catechism. Confirmed by the Bishop 4 white. Subjects of instruction, Bible, Prayer Book, Bevan's Church Catechism, &c. Public worship, St. Stephen's Chapel, twice every Sunday, also on the Festivals and Fasts of the Church ; until the removal from the city, on every Wednesday evening ; and in Lent on Friday morning besides.

Contributions—Communion alms, \$49.74.

REMARKS.—The omissions which have been made here, of several items, such as number of Communicants at present, &c. Number of Scholars, Teachers, &c. is unavoidable, owing to the unsettled condition of congregation, produced by their removal from the city for an unlimited and uncertain period.

Since the last Convention, I have received, for poor of St. Stephen's Chapel, \$464.75 ; for repairs to the Church, from the Board, \$25 ; from a private source, \$25 ; also, from Shoe Society, through Miss J., \$20. Taken up in a collection at St. Stephen's, for supplying soldiers with Bibles, Prayer Books, &c. \$17.37.

Grace Church, Charleston.

The Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 6 white ; 3 colored ; total, 9. Marriages, 3 white. Burials, 15 white ; 1 colored ; total 16. Communicants, last reported, 195 white ; 15 colored ; total, 210 ; admitted, 5 ; died, 5 ; present number, 195 white ; 15 colored ; 210. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 175 white ; Children under 14, 270 ; Families, 132 white ; 12 colored ; total, 144. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6. Public worship, Grace Church, 44 Sundays, 25 other days ; whole number of

times, 112. Contributions, Communion alms, \$260; Missions, Diocesan, \$120; Domestic, \$65; other Church purposes, \$160; total, \$600.

REMARKS.—From the end of May, until September, our Congregation was scattered, and our service much hindered by the war. Our Sunday School is still suspended, and our charities greatly reduced. Our list of burials only is increased. We mourn the death of six young men from this congregation, who have fallen on the battle-field, and from the diseases of the camp. May the Lord comfort those who mourn, and send peace again to his people.

Church of the Holy Communion, Charleston.

The Rev. A. Toomer Porter, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white; children, 18 white; 5 colored; total, 24. Marriages, 3 white; 1 colored; total, 4. Burials, 10 white; 2 colored; total 12. Communicants, last reported, 125 white; 25 colored; total 150; died, 2 white; present number unknown. Congregation, Non-communicants, same as last year; children under 14, the same as last year; families, same as last year. Sunday School interrupted 3 months. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white, 1 colored; total, 3. Sunday School, Teachers, 8 white; Scholars, 150 white. Public worship, preached 84 times; prayers, 15 times; prayers and addresses every night in camp, from the 4th of June until November, and frequently in hospitals in Charleston and Virginia, administered the Holy Communion, 10 times. Contributions—Communion alms, \$250.85; other Church purposes, \$1,708; total, \$1,958.85; other sources, \$100. Total, \$2,058.85.

REMARKS.—This report is to the 1st of January last. This Parish has been presented by Mrs. G. A. Trenholm, with a fine lot in Rutledge street,—cost \$6,150, and \$50,000 towards the erection of a new Church. Though several families have returned, the Parish has been broken up by the war since last March. My time has been spent in the Parish and Camp; it is difficult to report who belongs to the Parish as we cannot tell who will return.

*St. Peter's, Church, Charleston.**

The Rev. W O. Prentiss, Rector.

After the fire, which destroyed St. Peter's Church, (in Dec. 1861,) that Congregation met for worship in the Hall of the South-Carolina Society, where Divine service was held 30 times on 16 Sundays, and 3 times on 3 other days. On the 10th of June, the work of the Lord ceased, the Vestry judging it expedient to suspend my services, there being no attendance at the Hall. Since that time I have been preaching at different places as opportunity offered. I am now officiating at the Bethel (Presbyterian) Church, near Jacksonboro'. I have held 10 services on 10 Sundays. I have also preached to the soldiers encamped at Adam's Run, 8 times on Sundays. I have Baptized 3 white infants; buried 2 white adults; 1 colored adult; and 1 white infant. Communion alms, 61.34. Missionary collections, \$27.

Christ Church, Columbia.

The Rev. J Maxwell Pringle, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 white : children, 14 white; colored 3; total 18. Marriages. 4 white. Burials, 1 white adult; children, 7 white; 3 colored: total, 11.

The Bishop visited the Church on Sunday the 6th July, preached and confirmed 9 white persons and 1 colored.

Families composing the congregation proper, 34; and the number of Communicants belonging to my ordinary charge, 64; but it gives me much pleasure to state that during the past year, and previously, by the temporary removal to Columbia of many Charleston and Beaufort families, well-known and highly-esteemed in our Church, and by the residence among us of some refugees from Kentucky and Virginia, the congregation has received an accession more than doubling our original number. There are now attending Christ Church, from Charleston, twenty-seven families; from Beaufort six; from Louisville, Kentucky two, and one from Virginia. A large proportion of these are Communicants of the Church.

The Sunday School, at present, numbers 8 Teachers and 43 Scholars. The Contributions for different purposes have been as follows: Communion alms, \$511.65; of which \$100 was given to the several Hospitals in Columbia; \$70 to the Columbia Orphan House; \$10 to the Female Episcopal Tract Society; \$25 to the Advancement Society; \$25 to the Church Building Society.

On the day of Public Thanksgiving, Sept. 18th, the Rev. Robert W Barnwell preached during my absence from home, and a collection was made on that occasion, for the assistance of our sick and wounded soldiers, which amounted to \$265.

The monthly contributions for Missions have amounted to \$106.70; and the Children's Sunday School offerings \$6.

I record with gratitude to God, that by the characteristic liberality of a Charleston gentleman, the debt of our Church has been placed on a most advantageous footing. I may also mention, that by the prompt action of the Vestry, seconded by the generous response of some of our friends now residing here, a sale of the pews has been effected to a considerable amount, and thus a portion of our indebtedness of long standing was at once cancelled.

These circumstances together with some other events of a similar nature, but of a more private and personal bearing, cannot be forgotten, among the alleviating and comforting reminiscences and associations of another year of anxiety and distress to us all, and on some account to ministers more than others.

Report of the Rev. J. Hamilton Quinby.

My Dear Bishop,—The blank sent me for my report, I feel to be a silent reproach, and yet, God knows, that it has not been for the want of inclination. that so little has been accomplished, but rather from a combination of circumstances, induced from the unhappy state of our political affairs.

Shortly after our last Convention, I engaged as a private tutor, hoping also to make some arrangements for Clerical duty, in a city Church, for the summer. On the exodus of the non-combatants from Charleston, I was constrained to follow the lady who had engaged my services, but immediately cast about me, to do such missionary duty as offered in our neighbourhood. This, the enrolling officer of this district determined, exempted me from military service; but, feeling my field of operations very limited, I gladly accepted an invitation from my friend Capt. Ward, of the Waccamaw L. A. to act as Chaplain to his Company, and other troops in the vicinity of Georgetown. I went down in July, and served with a prospect of usefulness until September, when I was compelled to return to the up-country by an attack of fever, induced from the climate of the rice-fields, where we were encamped.

I then accepted the Cheraw Academy, hoping to promote the educational interest of the community and sustain myself until some Parish should offer, where I might be more congenially employed. The number of pupils at School, were so small, that I relinquished it, to the regret of the patrons, after the first quarter.

Having officiated for my friend Rev. Mr. Green, at Bennettsville, and knowing what a favorable opportunity for establishing the Church there exists there, at present, at the suggestion of the Rev. Mr. Brown I visited both that place and Darlington C. H. I think, my dear Bishop, if you would give me the amount affixed to brother Green's Mission, which he no longer retains, with God's blessing, I may be able to establish the Church in both these towns. If you consent I will take up my residence at Bennettsville, and officiate at the other every other Sunday. The present is a golden opportunity. I trust to see you at the Convention and talk the matter over.

Cheraw, February 3d, 1863.

Cleremont Parish.

The Rev. John J. Roberts, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 3 colored; infants, 5 white; 40 colored; total, 57. Confirmation, 5 white; 12 colored; total, 17. Communicants, 3 deceased; 2 removed; 6 added; total, white and colored about 150. The refugees are not included. Burials, 9 white. Public worship, is held at the Church of the Holy Cross, Stateburg, and on 4 Plantations. Offering, monthly, \$350.

Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell, C. H.

The Rev. Barnwell B. Sams, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white; children, 2 white; 3 colored; total, 6. Marriages, 1 white. Communicants, present number, 18 whites, 1 colored; total, 19. Congregation, Non-communicants, 11 white; Children under 14, 20 white; Families, 12 white; Families belonging also to other Congregations of P. E. Church, 5 white. Children catechised on Sundays, 12 whites; Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white.

Sunday School, number of Teachers, 3 white; number of Scholars, 15 white. Public Worship, Church of the Holy Apostles, number of Sundays 29; number of other days 30; total, 80. Communion Alms, \$33.95; Missions, Diocesan, \$16.80; Relief of wounded Soldiers, \$26.15; other Church puposes, Salary of Rector, \$150; total, \$226.90.

REMARKS.—I assumed charge of the Church of the Holy Apostles on the first of last May, my report therefore embraces only the past eight months; together with one or two occasional services performed whilst on a visit to the Parish in the latter part of the winter.

Blackville.

The Rev. Barnwell B. Sams, Missionary.

Baptisms—Children, 4 white. Communicants, Admitted, 2 white, present number, 17 white. Congregation, 12 white; Children under 14, 20 white; Families, 13 white; Families of other P. E. Congregations, 13 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white. Public Worship in the Methodist Church, number of Sundays 7, number of other days 1, whole number of times 13. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$17.95.

REMARKS.—Through the kindness of the Rev. Mr. Wilson of the Methodist Church, who kindly offered the use of his building for our services, the Missionary to Blackville has been enabled to hold service there regularly on the first Sunday of every month. His Congregation there, though composed entirely of refugees from the Islands, is at present quite as large as the Congregation of the Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell C. H., and if it could be so arranged that the Missionary could divide his time equally between the two places, Barnwell C. H. and Blackville, instead of devoting only one Sunday in each month to the latter place, particularly whilst the refugees continue there, he would have a much better opportunity of establishing the Church there. The members of other denominations frequently attend our services, and many have expressed a desire to obtain our books of Common Prayer in order that they may join in our worship, but they can not be obtained.

St. Thomas' and St. Denis'

The Rev. Julius Sams, Rector.

The Rev. Ed. C. Logan, Minister.

Baptisms—Adults, 10 colored; children, 4 white; 17 colored; total 21. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 4 white; 3 colored. Communicants, admitted, 2 white; 10 colored; total, 12; removed, 2 white; present number, 25 white. Congregation,—Non-communicants, 24 white; children under 14, 21 white; families, 16. Public worship, Brick Church Chapel, 42 Sundays; 4 other days; whole number of times, 191. Contributions—Communion alms, \$26.75.

REMARKS.—During the last summer I officiated in Chester. I held 64 services for the adult whites, 8 for the children, and 4 for the color-

ad. I Baptized 5 white infants, and buried one white adult. Seven white adults were confirmed at the Bishop's visitation. Thirty dollars were collected in Communion alms, and twenty-five dollars for soldiers' relief.

The Beresford Parish School is still under the excellent management of the Rev. Ed. C. Logan.

Report of the Rev. Joseph B. Seabrook, Missionary in St. Paul's Parish.

From the time of my last report until the 1st of May, I continued to preach, as usual, in any Church near Church Flats. My congregation was chiefly composed of soldiers, stationed in the vicinity.

On the 1st of May I removed to Anderson, having been invited to take the Rectorship of Grace Church, and my congregation near Church Flats, being broken up and dispersed by the war. From that time to the middle of December, I preached in Grace Church, Anderson, every Sunday, excepting one, when I was indisposed, and certain others, when I exchanged with some of the brethren in Charleston. I preached also three times in Abbeville.

The congregation in Anderson was quite a full one, rather more during the summer than the Church could conveniently hold; it was composed chiefly of refugees from Charleston. The number of Communicants was not accurately ascertained, as they were coming and going all summer; it is supposed to be about 50.

I Baptized 5 white children and 1 adult. Buried 2 white adults, 3 white children, and 3 colored. There were about 30 children in the Sunday School, and 5 Teachers.

Since leaving Anderson I have preached once a month at Wilton, and once a month on my own plantation, and the other Sundays either in Charleston, or to the soldiers in my vicinity.

It was with regret that I left Anderson; I felt it, however, my duty to do so. It seems to me, that in these perilous times, and in my exposed situation, I owe it to my servants, whom God has committed to my care and protection, to be as much with them as possible.

Trinity Church, Columbia.

The Rev. P. J. Shand, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 6 white, Children, 10 white, 2 colored; total, 18. Marriages, 6 white, 1 colored; total, 7. Burials, 35 white, 1 colored; total, 36. Communicants last reported, 143. Admitted, 14; died 6; present number, 151. Non-communicants, 95 white, colored varying; Children, 106 white; Families, 81 white; Confirmed by Bishop, 9 white. Sunday School Teachers, 6 white; Children, 50 white. Public Worship as in last report.

REMARKS.—The Church building which was in course of enlargement at last report, has been completed as far as under the circumstances of the times it can be. It has been again in use since last Trinity Sunday.

Report of the Rev. P. F. Stevens.

Penopolis, Feb. 9th, 1863.

I respectfully submit the following report, as Minister of Trinity Church, Black Oak.

As you will remember I took charge of this Parish in the latter part of October, 1861. I had scarcely been here two weeks when the success of our enemies at Port Royal, S. C. threw our entire State into excitement, and the crisis seemed to demand the immediate services of every soldier within her limits. Having been educated at the Military Academy of the State, and having very recently, (subsequent to the commencement of the war) retired from office in that Academy, to enter the Ministry, I felt that the emergency called me to the field, and under a sense of duty I accepted military position.

After ten months service, feeling the incompatibility of the position of an officer in the Army and a Minister of Jesus, and feeling also that the exigency which prompted me to take up arms was no longer pressing, I embraced a suitable opportunity to resign my command and resumed my duties here on the 1st of December 1862.

From that time until the 1st of this month (a period of two months) I have held divine service in Trinity Church, 7 Sundays, (one service each day) and one on Christmas day. Have met the congregation six times for prayer for our country. Read Morning Prayer, and preached in the afternoon one Sunday at St. Luke's, Charleston; baptized two children.

Have held divine service for the negroes eight times on Sunday and ten times in the week; preached one Sunday night at Trinity Church, Charleston; baptized 52 children; read the service over one adult.

The condition of the Parish is as follows:—Families, 24; Communicants, 54; non-communicants, 22; children under 14, 41; total 147.

Families from other P. E. Congregations, 4; Communicants, 13; non-communicants, 9; children, 11; total 33.

Communicants from other Christian denominations, 5.

Contributions of the Church—Communion alms (one Sunday) \$16.75; Missions, \$140.85.

I am not prepared to give an account of the negroes of the Parish, further than this: that God's Spirit has evidently manifested itself here in regard to their welfare.

Planters are generally opposed to the negroes of different places congregating for any purposes whatever, and this has necessitated the preaching upon each plantation. Feeling that a Minister would labour to great disadvantage in this way, I proposed, at the suggestion of the Rev. Ed. T. Walker, to unite the people of contiguous plantations, at certain central points, thus enabling me to hold service oftener, and more regularly for the same congregation.

I am grateful to God that he had prepared the way for me, and every where I have met with ready assent and cheerful co-operation in reference to the arrangement, so that I now have four places where public worship may be regularly conducted once a fortnight, and be in easy reach of nearly the entire Parish.

God has greatly encouraged me so far to hope for good from the plan in future.

During my absence from the Parish, my place was filled by the Rev. E. T. Walker, who will report for the interim from the last Convention, until the 1st of December, 1862.

The Rev. C. P. Gadsden administered the Communion for me on the last Sunday in December.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville.

The Rev. James Stoney, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 6 white. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, last reported, 19 white; admitted 2 white; died 2 white; present number, 19 white. Congregation, children under 14, 26 white; families, 12 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white. Contributions, Communion alms, \$40.85.

Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg.

The Rev. Paul Trapier, and Rev. Stiles Mellichamp, Missionaries.

Baptisms—Children, 1 white. Burials, 8 white; 2 colored; total, 10. Communicants, last reported, 23 white; admitted, 23 white; died, 1; suspended 2; present number, 43. Congregation, Non-communicants, 18 white; children under 14, 29 white; families, 24 white; families belonging also to other congregations of P. E. Church, 11 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 3 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 5 white; Scholars, 20 white. Subjects of instruction same as before. Public worship, at Church of the Redeemer, 33 Sundays; 14 other days; whole number of times, 84.

REMARKS.—Many persons from the low-country of our State have sought refuge here, and are giving tone to this congregation, by their earnest piety and meek submission to unwonted and severe privations. But it is sad to miss so many males, and to see so many in mourning; yet the sorrows of this season are sanctified to some—though Satan has taken advantage of its perplexities to draw others into sin, while others again are seduced by temptations of life in camps to forsake their Saviour. Nevertheless there are tokens of growth in grace, especially since the Church has been opened every Sunday, as it has been since June last, by the coming of the second of your Missionaries.

St. Helena's Church, Beaufort.

The Rev. Joseph R. Walker, Rector of St. Helena Church, acting as Missionary in St. Matthew's Parish, reports:

The number of families 10. Communicants, white 16. Baptisms, white 6; colored 1. Burials, white 2; colored 2. Sunday Schools were held during the summer at Totness, the summer retreat of the Parish. White children 14; Teachers 4; Colored children 20; Teachers 4. Children catechised, about 12. Service was held regularly on Sundays and the principal holidays during the winter at the Parish

Church, and during the summer at Totness, except on one Sunday in each month, from February to October, when I officiated at Orangeburg. Since that the Rev. Stiles Mellichamp has taken my place at Orangeburg, with the cordial acceptance of the people.

At Totness the congregation was larger than at the Parish Church, there being some families there who do not, on account of the distance, attend the Parish Church. At Totness I officiated twice on Sunday, and on Wednesday evenings held divine service and lectured.

Twenty-five dollars have been collected and placed in the hands of the Bishop for Missions in the Diocese. The Communion alms, with a considerable sum, raised by the ladies, have been devoted to the relief of the sick and destitute soldiers.

The congregation have acted towards me most kindly and generously—contributing towards my support liberally according to their means, which (being a planting community) were limited by reason of the war. By the great kindness of one of the Parisioners I have had the use of a most comfortable winter residence on his Plantation, with many valuable plantation privileges; and at Totness, by another, one of the most pleasant and commodious dwellings in the village.—I make record of these things before God with grateful and gratified feelings.

In the Parish Church, there is very little room for negroes. Around it there is a large body of them—and I am persuaded that no inconsiderable number of them might be induced to attend could we say to them “come for there is room.” And ought not this to be the preparation and the voice of all our Churches? If they will not attend, we at least, have, in this respect, done our duty.

Trinity Church, Black Oak.

The Rev. Edward T. Walker.

I have officiated in this Parish for nine months of the past year; the Rector of the Parish was absent in the service of his country; my short ministry among this pleasant people has been to myself one of great pleasure.

I have baptized one white child; burials 4, 2 colored. Alms and Contributions, \$175.

Zion Church, Richland.

The Rev. C. Bruce Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 1 white, 16 colored; total, 17. Public worship, Upper Zion, number of Sundays 11; Lower Zion 11; total, 20.

REMARKS.—The above embraces the services performed in the Parish of Zion Church before the 28th July, 1862, on that day my resignation of the Rectorship on account of excessive debility was accepted. During the past year I have officiated elsewhere on 13 Sundays, 21 times, and on other days 10 times. Baptisms, 1 white, 1 colored. Funerals, 2 white.

St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs.

The Rev. Albert R. Walker, Deacon, settled.

Refugees and irregular attending families. 5; native, 8; total, 13. Communicants, 18 or 20. Baptisms, colored, 1. Confirmed, 1 white. Deaths, 1 white. Church has been opened 16 Sundays; in the week 2 days; total, 18. Collections, for Soldiers, \$76.25; Communion alms, \$30.60; Missions, \$61.15; total, \$168. Communion has been administered twice, by other Ministers.

REMARKS.—An interesting Bible Class has met upon every visit (twice a month) with few exceptions. Connected with the Congregation there is a Sunday School, of 10 children, under the instruction of 2 teachers. The negroes, large number of whom are owned by members of the Congregation, are addressed at the Church immediately after the service. Two Plantations are also visited and appropriate services held for the servants.

Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter.

The Rev. Albert R. Walker, Deacon, settled.

Refugee families, 16; Native, 14; total, 30. Refugee Communicants, about 20; Native, 15; total, 35. Baptisms, 5 white; colored, 5; total, 10. Confirmed, 1 white. Marriages, 1 white; 2 colored. Deaths, 4 white; 2 colored; total, 6. Collections for Soldiers and Communion alms, \$24.15; Missions, \$52.55; total, 76.70. Communion has been administered 3 times by other Ministers. The Church has been opened 17 Sundays; in the week 25; total, 42. The Sunday Schools are necessarily small from the size of the Congregation. They contain together about 10 or 15, on an average, who are taught by 2 or 3 teachers.

Holy Trinity, Grahamville.

The Rev. Arthur Wigfall, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 2 white. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 2 white. Communicants, Present number, 29 white, 12 colored; total, 41. Congregation, Non-communicants, 30 white; Children under 14, 35 white; Families, 21 white. Confirmed by Bishop Elliott, 4 white. Sunday schools, number of Teachers, 4 white; number of scholars, 20 white, 15 colored; total, 35.

Report of Rev. J. V. Welch, Missionary at Grahamville.

Baptisms—2 white, 4 colored; total, 6. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 8 Adults, 4 Children; total, 12. Public worship, twice on every Lord's day, and other days at the plantations.

REMARKS.—I have been labouring at the Hospitals at Grahamville, McPhersonville and Virginia among our sick and wounded soldiers. Children have been catechised at the Plantations on Lord's days, and in the week at Plantations.

Report of the Rev. E. J. Webb, Missionary to the colored people on the Ashepoo and Pon Pon.

Baptisms—Adults 2. Deaths, adults 7, and 1 child under catechetical instruction. Dismission, adult 1.

REMARKS.—The duties of the Mission continued till the middle of May, when my health broke down, which caused a suspension of my work till the middle of October, when it was resumed again. The distracted state of the country has affected the Missionary work, evidenced by many acts of the negroes seen particularly by their non-attendance at worship, compared with former days. And in consequence of the continuance of the war, one of the supporters of the Mission has removed his people to the up-country.

St. Mark's Church, Chester.

A. Q. Dunnivant, Warden.

Baptisms—Children, 5 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 7 white; admitted 6 white; present number, 13 white. Congregation, Non-communicants, 8 white; children under 14, 10 white; families, 5 white; families belonging also to other congregations of P. E. Church, 5. Children catechised on 8 Sundays. Confirmed by the Bishop, 7 white. Sunday School; Teachers, 6 white; Scholars, 30 white. Public worship, St. Mark's on 26 Sundays; 12 other days; whole number of times, 64. Communion alms, \$30.

REMARKS.—A Sunday School was organized in the early part of last summer by the Rev. Julius Sams, who was then officiating for us, and is now under the superintendence of Mr. Benjamin Lucas, a very active and zealous layman. The Rev. Julius Sams has been officiating for us once a month during the winter, and provides us other clerical services for the other Sundays. We hope after the war to be able to support a permanent Minister.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,
IN THE
CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA.

AGREED TO BY THIS DIOCESE, FEB. 14, 1862.

NAME.

ARTICLE I.—This Church, retaining the name “Protestant Episcopal, shall be known as the “PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA.”

COUNCILS.

ARTICLE II.—There shall be in this Church a General Council.—There may be also Provincial Councils and Diocesan Councils.

GENERAL COUNCILS.

ARTICLE III.—The General Council of this Church shall meet on the second Wednesday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, at Augusta, Georgia, and on the same day in every third year thereafter, at such place as shall be determined by the Council.

In case there shall be an epidemic disease, or other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place appointed for such meeting, the Presiding Bishop may designate another convenient place for the holding of such Council, and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be determined.

The General Council shall consist of two Houses—the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies.

The House of Bishops shall be composed of all the Bishops of this Church having jurisdiction within the Confederate States, or the Territories thereof.

Each Diocese shall be entitled to an equal representation, clerical and lay, in the House of Deputies. Such representation shall consist of not more than three Clergymen, and three Laymen communicants in this Church, resident in the Diocese, and elected by the Council thereof.

Before they shall proceed to business, a majority of the Dioceses,

which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented in the Council. The representation from two Dioceses shall be sufficient to adjourn.

In all business of the Council freedom of debate shall be allowed.

Each House shall have a right to originate acts; and, when any act shall have been passed in either House, it shall be transmitted to the other House for its consideration. No act shall have the operation of law, unless concurred in and authenticated by both Houses.

When any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, and shall be negatived by the House of Bishops, the House of Bishops shall, when requested by the House of Deputies, signify to it in writing the reason for non-concurrence, within three days after such request shall have been made.

In all questions, when required by the clerical or lay representation from any Diocese, each order shall have one vote, and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each order: *Provided* such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that order. The concurrence of both orders shall be necessary in such case to constitute a vote of the House.

If any Diocese should omit or decline to elect clerical Deputies to the General Council, or should omit or decline to elect lay Deputies, or if any of those of either order elected should fail to attend, such Diocese shall, nevertheless, be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or deputies as may attend, whether lay or clerical. And if, through the neglect of any Diocese, which shall have adopted this Constitution, no Deputy therefrom, either lay or clerical, should attend the Council, the Church in such Diocese shall, nevertheless, be bound by the acts of such Council.

PROVINCE.—PROVINCIAL COUNCILS.

ARTICLE IV.—Whenever any one of the Confederate States shall contain more than one Diocese, said State may, with the consent of all the Dioceses in said State, constitute an Ecclesiastical Province, in which a Provincial Council may be held at least once in every three years, which Provincial Council shall be made up of all the Bishops having jurisdiction within the Province, and of such representatives, clerical and lay, from the Dioceses within the Province, as may be determined upon by the Diocesan Councils thereof. If there be more than one Bishop within the Province, the senior Bishop by consecration shall preside in the Provincial Council, and when there shall be three, or more than three Bishops, they shall form a separate House.

Whenever such Council shall legislate, its acts shall be of force within all the Dioceses embraced with the Province.

DIOCESAN COUNCILS.

ARTICLE V.—There shall be held annually, in each Diocese, a Diocesan Council, to be composed of the Bishop or Bishops of the Diocese, and of a lay and clerical representation from each Parish of the Diocese. This Council shall legislate for only Diocesan purpose.

ARTICLE VI—The Bishop or Bishops in each Diocese shall be chosen by the Council of that Diocese, agreeably to such rules as it may prescribe; and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal Office to his proper Diocese, unless requested to perform any act of that Office by the Ecclesiastical Authority of another Diocese.

NEW DIOCESES.

ARTICLE VII.—A new Diocese, formed in any of the Confederate States, or in any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted to union with, and representation in, the General Council of this Church, on acceding to this Constitution: *Provided* there were, at the time of organizing, and are, at the time of making application for admission, at least six officiating Presbyters within such Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Church.

A new Diocese may be formed within the limits of any existing Diocese, with the consent of its Council and the Bishop or Bishops thereof, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof; and a new Diocese may be formed within the limits of two or more Dioceses, with the like consent. But no such new Diocese, shall be formed, which shall contain less than ten self-supporting Parishes, or less than ten Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop; nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than fifteen self-supporting Parishes, or less than fifteen Presbyters who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above-mentioned: *Provided*, that no city shall form more than one Diocese.

In case a Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese so divided may elect the Diocese over which he will preside, and shall become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the Diocese to which he will be attached; and, if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

TRIALS.

ARTICLE VIII.—The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Council. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only:

In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons shall be prescribed by the Council of the Diocese.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension or degradation from the ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon.

ORDINATIONS.

ARTICLE IX.—No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders, until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and by two Presbyters,

and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct.

Nor shall any person be ordained either Deacon or Priest, until he shall have subscribed the following declaration, viz :

“ I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation ; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States of America.”

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in such case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

PRAYER-BOOK

ARTICLE X.—A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a form and manner of making, ordaining and consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, when established by the General Council, shall be used in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Council, and by a resolution thereof made known to the Council of every Diocese, approved by a majority of the Diocesan Councils, and adopted at the subsequent General Council.

BISHOPS FOR FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

ARTICLE XI.—Bishops for foreign countries may, on due application therefrom, be consecrated, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, signified in writing to the Presiding Bishop ; he thereupon taking order for the same, and they being satisfied that the person designated for the office has been duly chosen and is properly qualified.

The Order for such Consecration shall be conformed, as nearly as may be, in the judgment of the Bishops, to the one used in this Church.

Bishops, so consecrated, shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan, or Assistant Bishop, in any Diocese in the Confederate States, nor be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor exercise any authority in the said State.

ALTERATIONS OF CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE XII.—Any alteration in this Constitution shall be originated in the General Council. When adopted in one General Council by a majority of the House of Bishops and by a majority of the House of Deputies, said Deputies voting by Dioceses and orders, such alteration shall be made known to the several Diocesan Councils, and, if agreed to by two-thirds of them, and ratified in the ensuing General Council, the same shall be a part of this Constitution.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,
IN THE
DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA.

ARTICLE I.

Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Council.

The Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States of America, and acknowledges their authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

Of Meetings.

SECTION 1. A Stated Council shall be held annually in Charleston, on the second^d Wednesday in February, or at such time and place as shall have been determined upon by the preceeding Council.*

ARTICLE III.

Of Members of Council.

SECTION 1.—The Council shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

SECTION 2.—The Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, and the Minister, or ministers of every Episcopal Church in union with this Council, shall always be, *ex-officio*, a member or members of this Council, with a right to vote on all matters requiring the suffrages thereof: *Provided*, that no Clergyman shall be entitled to vote in Council, unless he has been actually, as well as canonically resident within the Diocese, for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Council, and has, for the same period, been employed in performing the duties of his station: *Provided*, also, that no Clergyman, otherwise entitled to a seat and vote in Council shall, by reason of advanced years, or infirm health, or temporary absence, be divested of such privilege.

SECTION 3.—Every other Clergyman of the Church being a Missionary, officiating under the sanction of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, a Professor in a Theological Seminary, or a Chaplain in any benevolent or other public institution, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Council, with the exception of the right to vote on matters involving the temporal concerns of the Churches. The provisions of the second section of this Article shall also apply to the preceding part of this section. Every other Clergyman, being an instructor of youth in any seminary of learning, constituted by Civil or Ecclesiastical authority, in this Diocese, or a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the Confederate States, or being prevented by age and infirmity from exercising his clerical functions, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Council, with the exception of the right to vote.

* For proposed amendments to this Article, *vide Journal p. 32.*

SECTION 4.—Lay-Delegates not exceeding four (4) in number, shall be elected by the respective Episcopal Churches, in union with this Council, from among the members of those Churches respectively to represent them in Council; the Delegates to be elected in such manner and time, as each Church shall deem proper, to serve for one stated Council. They shall, before they are permitted to take their seats in Council, produce written testimonials of their election. For special Councils, special elections shall be held.

SECTION 5.—No member shall hereafter represent two distinct Churches, or shall, in any case, have more than one vote.

SECTION 6.—A Lay-Member having taken his seat in the Council as a Delegate from any Church, shall not (without the unanimous consent of the Council,) be permitted to relinquish his seat, and take a seat as the Delegate of another Church.

ARTICLE IV.

Of a Quorum.

Ten (10) Members of the Clerical Order, and Lay-Representatives of ten (10) Churches, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally; but any number of either Order, that shall assemble, may adjourn from day to day, until a quorum is formed.

ARTICLE V.

Of the President.

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be, *ex-officio*, President of the Council. But in case of his absence, or a vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee shall be the President of the Council, and if he be not present, a presiding officer shall be elected from among the attending Presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

Of the Secretary.

A Secretary shall be annually chosen, (and continue in office until a successor be appointed,) who shall keep a true and correct Journal of the proceedings of the Council, attest its public acts, preserve its records, and give notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for any stated or special meetings of the Council; and this notice shall be given at least six weeks before the meeting of such Council.

ARTICLE VII.

Of the Treasurer.

A Treasurer shall be annually chosen, who shall keep regular accounts of all money transactions, to be annually laid before the Council, and shall faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor all books, papers and funds relative and belonging to the Council, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VIII.

Of the Standing Committee.

SECTION 1.—A Standing Committee, consisting of five Presbyters of the Diocese, and five Laymen, taken indiscriminately from among the actual communicants of the Church in the Diocese, shall be elected by ballot at every regular meeting of the Council, for the purposes expressed in the Constitutions and Canons of the General and Diocesan Councils, who shall continue in office until another Committee be appointed.

SECTION 2.—At their first meeting after their appointment, they shall choose one of the Presbyters of their body to be their President, and another of their body to be their Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all the proceedings and business of the Committee; to preserve them carefully recorded in a book provided for

that purpose alone; to preserve the originals of all letters and papers addressed to the Standing Committee, to attest their public acts, to perform such other duties as they may require, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Standing Committee, which may have been entrusted to him.

SECTION 3.—They shall present to each annual Council, an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Council.

SECTION 4.—Vacancies in this Committee, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise shall be supplied by the suffrages of the remaining members, a majority of the whole Committee being necessary to constitute a choice.

ARTICLE IX.

Of Special Meetings.

SECTION 1.—The Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special meeting of the Council; and such meeting shall be held where the authority calling it determine; and at such special meeting no other business shall be transacted, than that in the notice calling the Council.

SECTION 2.—No special meeting of the Council shall be called for the election of a Bishop or Ass.stant Bishop.

ARTICLE X.

Of Voting in Council.

On all questions, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution, the members shall deliberate and vote as one body; but any two Clergymen, or the Delegation from any two Churches, may call for a separate vote of each Order, when the Clergy shall vote individually, and the Lay-Delegates by Churches, (a majority of each Delegation having one vote,) and a majority in both Orders shall, in each case, be necessary to a decision.

ARTICLE XI.

Of the Election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop.

In the election of a Bishop, or Assistant Bishop of this Diocese, a majority of each Order shall determine a choice: *Provided*, That two-thirds (2-3ds) of all the Clergy entitled to a vote, and two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches entitled to representation, be present; otherwise, two-thirds (2-3ds) of the votes of each Order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

ARTICLE XII.

Of the Trial of a Clergyman.

A Clergyman shall be subject to a trial for offences enumerated in the Canon of the General Council "*of offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished*," and in the Canons of this Council. The trial shall be conducted according to the mode provided for by the Canons of this Council.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of the Admission of Churches or Parishes into the Council.

Whenever a Church or Parish, not now entitled to a representation, shall be desirous of uniting with the Council of the Church in this Diocese, they shall apply by letter to the Bishop, or when there is no Bishop, or he be absent, to the Standing Committee, stating the due organization of their Church, the election of their Vestrymen and Church Wardens, their means or prospects for the support of a Minister, and their willingness to conform to the Constitution and Canons of the General Council, and the Constitution and Canons of the Council of this Diocese, which are now or

hereafter may be enacted by the authority of the same. And at the Council next succeeding the receipt of such application, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall communicate the same to the Council for their decision thereon. Should the Council make a favorable decision, the said Church shall then be considered in union with the Council of the Church in this Diocese:—*Provided always*, That the Delegates of the Church or Parish, newly admitted, though entitled to a seat, shall not be allowed a vote at the meeting of the Council in which their Church or Parish is admitted. But no Lay vote shall be received from any Church or Parish, which has for three (3) successive years neglected to elect a Vestry and Wardens, or to pay its quota to the Council, until admitted by a vote of the Council.

ARTICLE XIV.

Of Deputies to the General Council.

SECTION 1.—At every annual Council three Presbyters and three Laymen shall be chosen by ballot, to represent this Diocese in General Council, Three other Presbyters and three other Laymen shall also be chosen by ballot, as substitutes for the first chosen.

SECTION 2.—In case any Deputy of those first chosen shall decline such appointment, or be unable to attend, he shall forthwith inform the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, and the said Ecclesiastical authority shall thereupon summon to the General Council one of the substitutes in the order in which their names are on the Journal, which order shall be decided by lot by the Managers at the time of the election.

ARTICLE XV.

Of Altering the Constitution.

No one of these Articles shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any Article be adopted, unless such alteration, repeal, or new Article be proposed, considered and concurred in by a majority at one Council, and concurred in by two-thirds (2/3ds) of the Churches present at a subsequent Council.

C A N O N S

CANON I.

Providing for an accurate view of the State of the Church.

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, or, if the Parish be vacant, then the Wardens thereof, shall, at the meeting of every Annual Council, deliver or transmit to the Bishop, or, when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Council, an accurate statement in writing of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Burials, in his Parish or Church, during the interval since the last Council, the names of places where, and how often in each, Divine Service has been held; the number of families, specifying how many of them belong likewise to other Congregations; the number of Communicants, stating the changes by admission, removal, death, and suspension; the number of adults, and of children under fourteen years of age; the number catechized, and on how many Sundays; whether there be any Sunday School, and if any, the number of children, and of teachers, and the subjects of instruction in the same; also, the amount of Communion alms, the contributions for missions, diocesan, domestic and foreign; for Parochial schools, and for Church purposes of whatever kind; and, generally, all such other matters as may throw light on the state of the Church under his care.

In each case, the white and colored persons shall be reported distinctively; and all reports shall be in the form of a schedule, prepared by the Secretary, in accordance with the provisions of this Canon, and shall be laid before the Council, and entered upon the Journal, conformably to Canon XII of the General Council of 1853.—
Passed 1854. Amended 1857.

CANON II.

Trial of a Minister.

SECTION 1. In order to bring a Minister to trial before an Ecclesiastical Court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese, setting forth the facts alleged, and the names of the witnesses who will prove the same; with copies of, or proper reference to any other evidence required. If the Standing Committee shall be of opinion that the facts charged will constitute any one or more of the offences enumerated in the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese, or of the General Council, and that it would be for the good of the Church, that further proceedings should be had, they shall ascertain whether there is proof sufficient to put the accused upon his trial; and if satisfied, they shall thereupon cause a presentment to be made to the Bishop, charging the accused with the offence or offences which they deemed to be contained in the evidence, and specifying the facts with such reasonable certainty as to time, place, and circumstances, as shall be sufficient for a judicial investigation.

SEC. 2. The presentment having been made, the Bishop shall forthwith cause to be placed in a box the names of all the Presbyters of this Diocese, who, for the time being, are actually engaged in duty therein, (excepting the accused, the presenting Presbyters, and those on the Standing Committee;) he shall then cause twelve of the said names to be drawn out by a child under ten years of age; and the said twelve names shall be inscribed on a list. The Bishop shall immediately cause a copy of the said list and of the presentment to be served on the accused, or to be left at his usual place of residence. Within thirty days thereafter, the accused shall strike off the names of three of the Presbyters on the said list, and give notice thereof to the Bishop; and the Bishop shall thereupon send a list of the remaining Presbyters to the President of the Standing Committee, who shall, within fifteen days thereafter, strike off the names of three more, and give notice thereof to the Bishop. If either party shall fail to notify the Bishop as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to strike off so many names as the party failing was required to strike off; and in each case, the six remaining Presbyters shall constitute a Council for the trial of the accused.

SEC. 3. The Council shall hold its session at such time and place, and in public or in private, as the Bishop may appoint. It shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place, within the Diocese. If it fail to meet on the day appointed, it shall stand adjourned to the next day, and from day to day, for the space of three days, if it be not sooner formed; and if the whole number do not attend, and it appears probable that a full attendance cannot be had, those of the Council who may be present, being not less than four, shall organize and appoint a President and Secretary; the first from their own body, and the latter from their own body, or otherwise; and before proceeding to trial, shall ordain and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. It shall cause the oral testimony for and against the accused to be written down by the Secretary, and, along with the depositions and other evidence read upon the trial, to be carefully preserved; and shall cause a journal to be kept of its proceedings. Some officer authorized by law to administer oaths, may be called upon by the Council to administer an oath, or affirmation, to the witnesses, and upon all questions, the Common Law shall furnish the rule, and the concurrence of a majority of the members present shall be sufficient for a decision.

SEC. 4. The Council, after it shall be organized, may appoint one or more of the Profession of the Law to be its Assessors; who may be present at all its proceedings. It shall be their duty to give to the Council an opinion upon any question which may arise, upon which the Council or any member thereof, or the prosecuting or accused party shall desire an opinion, but without any voice in the decision of any question.

SEC. 5. A written notice of the time and place of meeting of the Council, shall be served upon the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, at least thirty days before such meeting; and the like notice shall be given to the Standing Committee, who, by their President, or some one whom they may appoint to perform that office, shall collect and present the evidence, and otherwise appear in behalf of the prosecution. The accused also shall be allowed the privilege of Counsel under such regulations as the Council may see fit to prescribe.

SEC. 6. If the accused do not appear, the Council may proceed to trial in his absence, or, for good cause shown, may adjourn the trial to another day; and if he then fail to appear, the Council shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, who thereupon shall pass upon him sentence of suspension from the Ministry; but such sentence, may be revised by the Bishop, if the accused, within three calendar months, shall report to him that he is prepared to undergo his trial, and shall appear for that end before the Council; and if he does not so report and appear, the Bishop in view of the Charges in the presentment, may pass against him sentence of degradation from the Ministry.

SEC. 7. Upon the application of the President of the Standing Committee or the accused, to the Bishop setting forth that the attendance of a material witness cannot be had, he shall appoint a Commissioner to take the deposition of such witness; and the party applying shall give to the other party five days notice of the time and place of taking the deposition, and of the principal points upon which the witness is to be examined. If the party to whom such notice is to be given, reside more than forty miles from the place appointed for taking the deposition, an additional day, exclusive of Sunday, shall be allowed for every twenty miles. The deposition shall be signed by the witness, and certified by the Commissioner under seal, to the Council.

SEC. 8. When the trial shall be gone through, the Council shall declare, in a writing to be signed by the several members, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty, or not guilty—and if guilty, suggesting what sentence in their opinion, ought to be pronounced. They shall forward the decision, together with the evidence and the proceedings, to the Bishop; whereupon, if the accused be found guilty, the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence, as shall to him appear proper, not exceeding that suggested by the Council, and such sentence shall be final. But if, in such case, in the opinion of the Bishop, the accused ought to have a new trial, he shall have power to award it in which case, a new Council shall be constituted, as herein before provided, (excluding the members of the former Council,) before which the proceedings shall be conducted, as before provided.

SEC. 9. If the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, the Bishop, (such confession being made to him, or being certified to him by the Council,) shall proceed to pass sentence; and if, when put upon his trial before the Council, the accused shall neither admit or deny the charges, he shall be regarded as pleading not guilty.

SEC. 10. It shall be the duty of the Bishop to report to the Council, at its next session, after the trial of a Minister, as herein provided, the finding of the Council and his sentence thereupon.

SEC. 11. Nothing herein contained shall be regarded as interfering with the duty of the Bishop, or of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, to institute an inquiry according to the provisions of Canon 37 of 1832, of the General Council. And whenever upon such inquiry, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee shall be of opinion that there is just ground for the public rumors, mentioned in the said Canon, he or they shall inform the Standing Committee of the facts, and of the evidence to establish the same, and thereupon such further proceedings shall be had, as are herein directed, after a charge shall have been made to the Standing Committee.

SEC. 12. Canon third, entitled, "Trial of a Clergyman," is hereby repealed, and this Canon substituted therefor. Passed 1855.

SEC. 13. The expenses incident to the trial of any Minister, as herein provided, shall be certified by the President of the Standing Committee, and paid by the Treasurer of the Council. And in case the Treasurer shall not have a sufficient amount in his hands for the purpose, the same shall be raised by assessments on the several Parishes in the Diocese, in the same ratio in which they are required to contribute to the expenses of the Council by the Fifth Standing Resolution. Passed 1856.

CANON III.

A list to be made of the Clergymen in this Diocese.

SECTION 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Council of this Diocese, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures, or parishes, or of their stations as missionaries or chaplains, or of the colleges, academies, or other seminaries of learning, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in parishes, missions or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only. And such list shall be laid before the Council immediately after it shall have been called to order on the first day of meeting, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. Such list shall then be referred to a Committee of three Clergymen, appointed by the Chair, who shall forthwith consider and report who of the Clergymen, on said list, are entitled to all the privileges of members of the Convention; who are entitled to said privileges, with the exception of the right to vote on matters pertaining to the temporal affairs of the Churches; who are entitled to seats, but not to votes, and who are not entitled to either seats or votes. Such list, thus reported and approved of by the Council, shall be appended to the Journal, and shall be transmitted to the Secretary of every General Council.

SECTION 2. No Clergymen, while suspended from the Ministry, shall have a place on said list.

SECTION 3. The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Council shall, if disputed, be determined, according to the provisions of the Constitution by the Council itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

SECTION 4. The Bishop shall take such measures for notifying the admission of Ministers into this Diocese, as may prevent unwary and ignorant people from being imposed upon by persons pretending to be authorized Ministers of this Church. And his certificate shall be evidence of such admission.

CANON IV.

Of persons wishing to be received as Candidates for orders.

Any person, who desires to become a Candidate for Orders in this Diocese, shall make application in writing, to the Standing Committee, stating his age and previous occupation. He will also be expected to furnish the Committee with the testimonials required by the third (3d) Canon of the General Council of 1865, and give evidence that he has informed the Bishop of his intention, according to the requisitions of the same Canon.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. The opening of the Council shall always be preceded by the Morning Service of the Church, a Sermon, and the administration of the Lord's Supper by the Bishop, or if the Episcopate be vacant, or the Bishop be not present, by the President of the Standing Committee. The business of every succeeding day shall be introduced with the Morning Service, and the business of every day shall be closed with appropriate Collects, pronounced by the President.

II. At the opening of each Annual Council when the President shall have taken the Chair, the Secretary shall first call over, in alphabetical order, the names of the Clergy entitled to seats. He shall then call over the Churches entitled to representation, when the Delegates shall lay their certificates on the Secretary's table. These shall be referred to a Committee of Three, who shall forthwith examine them, and report to the Council. A constitutional quorum having been found present, the President shall declare the Council duly organized. Should the Committee have considered any testimonials unsatisfactory, these shall now be taken up, and the question of their sufficiency settled.

III. The further order of business for the first day of the session of the Council, shall be as follows :

1. The reading of the "Rules of Order."
2. The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.
3. The election of a Treasurer.
4. The consideration of the application of Churches, or Parishes, for admission into the Council.
5. The appointment, by the President, of Preachers for the first day of the next annual Council.
6. The appointment, by the President, of two Standing Committees, viz : the Committee on unfinished Business, one (1) Clergyman and two (2) Laymen ; the Committee on Finance, three (3) Laymen.
7. The annual communication of the Standing Committee of the Church.
8. The appointment of Special Committees.
9. Miscellaneous business.

IV The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be, on the President's taking the Chair :

1. The reading and approval of the Minutes. ❀

2. Calling the names of the members absent on the preceding day.
3. The appointment of the Standing Committee of the Church.
4. The choosing of Deputies to the General Council.
5. Election of the Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary.
6. Election of Trustees of the University of the South.
7. Calling upon each delegation to pay the assessment on their respective Churches or Parishes, for the Bishop's Fund, and for the expenses of the Convention.

8. Reports to be called for in the following order :

Committee on Finance.

Treasurer of Bishop's Permanent Fund.

Committee on Unfinished Business.

Trustees of the University of the South.

Committees appointed at preceding Convention.

Special Committees.

9. Miscellaneous Business.

V Before the rising of the Council, the Minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

VI. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

VII. When the President shall take the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.

VIII. The delegation of each Church shall occupy one pew.

IX. No member shall absent himself from the Council, unless he hath leave, or be unable to attend.

X. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Council, he shall rise from his seat, and, without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself to the point in debate, and avoiding personality.

XI. When two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall name the member who is first to speak.

XII. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the Council.

XIII. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Council, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session, except upon a motion to reconsider, which may be moved and seconded by any member who voted in the majority.

XIV When the President is putting the question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the Church.

XV. No motion shall be considered before the Council, unless seconded and reduced to writing, if the President or any member require it. A Minister or Delegate may not second a motion offered by a Minister or Delegate of the same Church with himself.

XVI. When a question is before the House, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit or amend; which several motions

shall have precedence in the order in which they are named. A motion to strike out the word "Resolved," shall have precedence to a motion to amend; and, if carried, shall be equivalent to a rejection of the resolution. Subject to these exceptions, the question first moved shall be first put.

XVII. Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, and to postpone indefinitely, shall be decided without debate. A motion to adjourn may interrupt a speech, or any other business of the Council.

XVIII. No leave of absence shall be indefinitely granted to any member, unless full and sufficient reason be given by him to the Council.

XIX. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Council.

XX. No member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he is immediately and personally interested, or in any case where he was not present when the question was put.

XXI. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Council, the President *shall*, or any member *may* call to order; in which case, the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain. All questions of order shall be determined in the first instance, without debate, by the President; but any member may appeal from such decision to the Council, and on such appeal, no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the Council.

XXII. The President shall have the right to name a member to perform the duties of the Chair; but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

XXIII. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Council, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for Orders, shall be admitted to the sittings of this Council.

XXIV. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended, without the concurrence of two-thirds (2-3ds) of the members present.

XXV. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Council, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Council.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, The following sums whenever called for, by special resolution of Council, shall be contributed by each Parish or Church, to the Bishop's Fund, viz:

St. Michael's, Charleston,	\$300	St. John's, Winnsboro',	10
St. Philip's, do.	250	Trinity Church, Society Hill,	10
St. Paul's, do.	150	St. David's, Cheraw,	10
St. Peter's, do.	150	Church of the Messiah, N. Santee,	10
Grace Church, do.	100	St. Matthew's,	10
Prince George, Winyaw,	50	St. Mark's, Clarendon,	10
St. John's, Berkley,	50	St. James's, Goose Creek,	10
St. John's, John's Island,	50	St. Andrews's,	10
Edisto Island,	50	Prince William's,	10
All-Saints', Waccamaw,	50	Prince Frederick's,	10
Trinity Church, Columbia,	50	St. Paul's, Stono,	15
St. Helena, Beaufort,	35	Church of the Advent, Spartanburg,	5
Grace Church, Camden,	30	Calvary Church, Glenn Springs,	5
St. Bartholomew's,	25	Christ Church,	5
Church of the Holy Cross, Claremont,	20	St. James s. James Island,	5
St. Helena, St. Helena Island,	10	St. Thaddeus, Aiken,	5
Pineville, and Upper St. John's,	20	Zion Church, Richland,	5
St. Thomas and St. Dennis,	20	Trinity Church, Edgefield,	5
St. Luke's,	15	Trinity Church, Abbeville,	5
Church of the Holy Trinity, Gra- } hamville,	15	Grace Church, Sullivan's Island,	5
Christ Church, Wilton,	15	Church of the Redeemer, Orange- } burg,	5
St. James, Santee,	20	Holy Communion, Cannonsboro',	10
Christ Church, Greenville,	10	Holy Apostles, Barnwell,	5
St. Paul's, Pendleton,	10		

Passed 1859.

2. *Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Permanent Fund shall punctually pay over to the Bishop of the Diocese the sum of four thousand (\$4000) dollars, annually, in quarterly payments, from said fund, to enable him to discharge his Episcopal duties.

Amended 1859.

3. *Resolved*, That whatever balance may remain, after paying the sum of four thousand (\$4000) dollars to the Bishop, shall be paid over to the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

4. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Council, in his annual summons to the different Parishes or Churches, to state the quota of such Parishes or Churches to the Bishop's Fund, when called for by special resolution of a previous Council.

Passed 1859.

5. *Resolved*, That all Parishes and Churches receiving aid from the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina, shall each contribute five (\$5) dollars annually towards defraying the expenses of the Council: that all Churches and Parishes in the cities of Charleston and Columbia, not receiving aid from the said Society, shall each pay for the same purpose twenty (\$20) dollars annually, and that all other Churches and Parishes in this Diocese shall pay annually ten (\$10) dollars for the same purpose: and that the Secretary, in issuing his summons to the Parishes or Churches, shall inform them of this resolution; and that at each Annual Council the Treasurer shall apply to the Delegates of each Church for their respective contributions.

Passed 1820. Amended 1856.

6. *Resolved*, That it be the duty of the Secretary of the Council, for the time being, to furnish the Ministers of the several Parishes or Churches with blank copies of the usual form for the reports; and that they be and they are hereby required to make annual returns conformably to the same.

Passed 1826

7 WHEREAS, according to the Consecration service of the Protestant Episcopal Church, "devout and holy men, as well under the Law as under the Gospel, moved "either by the express command of God, or by the secret inspiration of the blessed "Spirit, and acting agreeably to their own reason and sense of the natural decency "of things, have erected houses for the public worship of God, and separated them "from all *unhallowed, worldly and common* uses, in order to fill men's minds with "greater reverence for his glorious Majesty, and affect their hearts with more devo- "tion and humility in his service," and whereas the delivering of orations and holding elections on secular or political subjects and occasions, and the usual worldly accompaniments and circumstances, are thought inconsistent with both the letter and spirit of this declaration of the Consecration service, and have been found to give pain to many members of our Communion, and generally to be of injurious tendency ; therefore be it

Resolved by this Council, That it be recommended to the Vestries of all Churches in this Diocese to discourage, and, if possible, interdict the use of the Churches under their care for all *unhallowed, worldly and common* purposes

Passed 1828.

8. *Resolved,* That the custom of returning thanks for sermons preached before this body is inexpedient and unnecessary, and shall not in future be observed.

Passed 1829.

9. *Resolved,* That the Treasurer be authorized to pay at or before every meeting of the General Council to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the quota of this Diocese, towards defraying the contingent expenses of the General Convention.

Passed 1832.

20. *Resolved,* That it be recommended to the Parishes of the Diocese to defray the expenses of their respective Pastors incurred by their attendance on the Diocesan Council.

Passed 1838.

11. *Resolved,* That it be respectfully recommended to the members of our Church who are proprietors of slaves, individually and collectively, to take measures for the support of Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists, who are members of our Church, for the religious instruction of their slaves.

Passed 1838.

12. *Resolved,* That it be urged upon the Rectors and Vestries of the country Parishes to exert themselves to obtain the services of such Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists.

Passed 1838.

13. *Resolved,* That every Missionary and Catechist be approved of by the Bishop.

Passed 1838.

14. *Resolved,* That no person who is a candidate for Orders shall be admitted to a seat in this Council as a Lay-Delegate from any Parish or Church.

Passed 1838.

15. *Resolved,* That it be respectfully recommended to the several Churches in this Diocese that in the appointment of Delegates to the Diocesan Council, they should select persons who are regular communicants of the Church. *Passed 1841.*

16. WHEREAS, the practice of both public and private travelling on the Lord's day is deemed to be a prevalent evil of the times ; and whereas Canon 41st of 1832, "of the due celebration of Sundays," prescribes that "all persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all Godly and sober conversation,"

Resolved unanimously, That the attention of the members of the Church in this Diocese, be solicited to the above Canon.

Passed 1844.

17. *Resolved,* That hereafter in voting by ballot, the Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and the Churches in order, and the votes be brought forward and deposited with the Tellers as called for ; and no vote shall be received after the Tellers begin to count the votes.

Passed 1847. Amended 1851.

18. *Resolved,* That three dollars per day be paid to the Organist officiating during the Sessions of the Convention.

Resolved, That a like sum be paid to the Sexton acting for the same period

Passed 1856.

AN ACT,

(Passed by the Legislature of South-Carolina, in Dec. 1862.)

TO INCORPORATE WITH UNIFORM RIGHT, POWER AND PRIVILEGES,
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CONGREGATIONS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Sect. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by authority of the same,* That hereafter when any male adults, being not less than twelve in number in this State shall desire to associate themselves together for the purpose of forming a Church according to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, they shall be allowed to do so by filing with the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions, for the District in which the said applicants reside a written statement of such purpose and intention, signed by them, and setting forth the name of their Church and the style of their corporation, which statement shall be recorded in the said Clerk's office, and on receiving his Certificate thereof they shall become a Body Politic and Corporate for the purpose aforesaid, and shall be known by the name and style designated in their said written statement.

Sect. 2. That the said Corporations shall, by their respective corporate names, have succession of officers and members according to their respective By-Laws, and shall have power to make all By-Laws, Rules and Regulations for their government not repugnant to the laws of South Carolina or the Constitution, Canons, and other regulations of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the same. To have and to keep and use a Common Seal, and the same alter at will. To sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any Court of this State—and to have and enjoy every right incident to Incorporations.

Sect. 3. They shall also be empowered severally, to retain, possess, and enjoy all such property, real or personal, as they may respectively be possessed of, or in any wise entitled unto, or which shall hereafter be given, bequeathed, or in any way acquired by them, and to sell, alien, and in any way transfer the same or any part thereof.

Sect. 4. Any Congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church, already incorporated in South Carolina, may, on the expiration of their Charter, or at any time before, if they see proper to surrender their Charter, become a Body Politic and Corporate under the provision of this Act, by making known their intentions to do so, according to the provisions of the first section of the same.

The following Churches have NEVER BEEN Incorporated.

Pineville and Upper St. John's,
 St. John's, Fairfield,
 St. Jude's, Walterboro',
 St. Philip's, Bradford Spring,
 Emmanuel Church, Chester,
 Zion Church, Richland.
 Assension Chuuch, Gillisonville,
 Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburgh,
 Christ Church, Charleston,
 Christ Church, Mar's Bluff,
 Trinity Church, Black Oak,
 Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville,
 St. John's Church, Richland,
 Christ Church, Columbia,
 Church of the Nativity, Unionville,
 St. Peter's Church, Beaufort District.

The Charters of the following Churches HAVE EXPIRED.

Prince Frederick's, Peedee,
 Trinity Church, Society Hill,
 St. Paul's, Stono.
 Grace Church, Sullivan's Island,
 St. James' Church, James's Island.
 St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island,
 St. Thaddæus' Church, Aiken,
 Grace Church, Charleston,
 Chutch of the Epiphany, Laurens.

The Charters of the following WILL EXPIRE, viz. that of

Trinity Church, Columbia, in 1864.
 Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, in 1864.
 Church of the Holy Communion, Charleston, in 1864.
 Calvary Church, Glenn Springs, in 1864.
 Trinity Church, Edgefield, in 1865.
 Church of the Holy Appostles, Barnwell, in 1865.
 All Saints, Waccamaw, in 1866.
 Christ Church, Greenville, in 1867.
 St. Peter's Church, Charleston, 1870.
 Grace Church, Camden, in 1872.
 St. David's, Cheraw, in 1879.

6. Trustees of the proposed University of the South :

The Rev. A. Glennie,
 John A. Calhoun,
 Hon. W. A. Pringle,
 John F. Blacklock, Treasurer.

7. Preacher before the next Council :

The Rev. J. Maxwell Pringle.
 Alternate—Rev. A. F. Olmsted.

8. Secretary of the Council :

The Rev. W. B. W. Howe, *Charleston*.

Assistant Secretary :


The Rev. L. C. Lance, *Newberry*.

9. Treasurer of the Council :

E. F. Elford, *Charleston*.

10. Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund :

John Hanckel, *Fraser's wharf, Charleston*.

 The next annual meeting of the Council will be held in the Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, on the second Wednesday in May, 1864.

W. B. W. HOWE, *Secretary*.

The next Annual Meeting of the Convention will be
held in the Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, on the
second Wednesday in May, (13th,) 1864, at 10 o'clock.
A. M.

W. B. W. HOWE, *Secretary.*
